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## THIS ISSUE

Introducing the first Cord of the school year - if you can lift it, it's yours!...**NEWS**...Ingrid Nielsen gives the straight facts on the

Students' Union director who was convicted of assault this summer at the Ezra Street party. Even without a code of conduct for directors, could

this still effect his status with the Union? Check out Bag O' Crime, especially our favorite about the creative gardener by Bricker Rez. Don't forget Saturday, Sept. 10 is special trash day. Just what you need - more shit...**OPINION**...did you notice the new carpet in Wilf's?

Hmm...Check the editorial for details. Greg "Hick" Sloan is back with his views from that infamous farm, and Brent Lanthier tries to figure out why

our generation is so bitter...**FEATURE**...Greg Sloan provides a look back at the summer past, from a sports, entertainment, and news perspective...**SPORTS**...Guess who's back? Yeah, they're kind of hard to miss - Laurier's beloved football team. Scott Stinson tells us about the football players who are helping out their "little brothers" in Waterloo, giving a whole new perspective to "Big Brothers". Mike Ste Marie also gives a comprehensive Q&A on this year's NFL...**NEU STUDENTEN KUNST**, formerly the Arts Page...I'm afraid to refer you here. It's pretty heavy stuff. Pretty hilarious too. That Lassie, what a bastard...**ENTERTAINMENT**...Dave Scott gives his sweet review of Big Sugar. Darren Mahaffy got in to see

Natural Born Killers, and brought back his review for shucks like me that try to see it on cheapie Tuesday. Yeah,

right! ...The quiet summer at Laurier is over, line ups are back, and advertisers are nippin' at our butts. Ain't life grand? We hope you like the new Cord, and as cheesy as it may sound, WELCOME BACK!

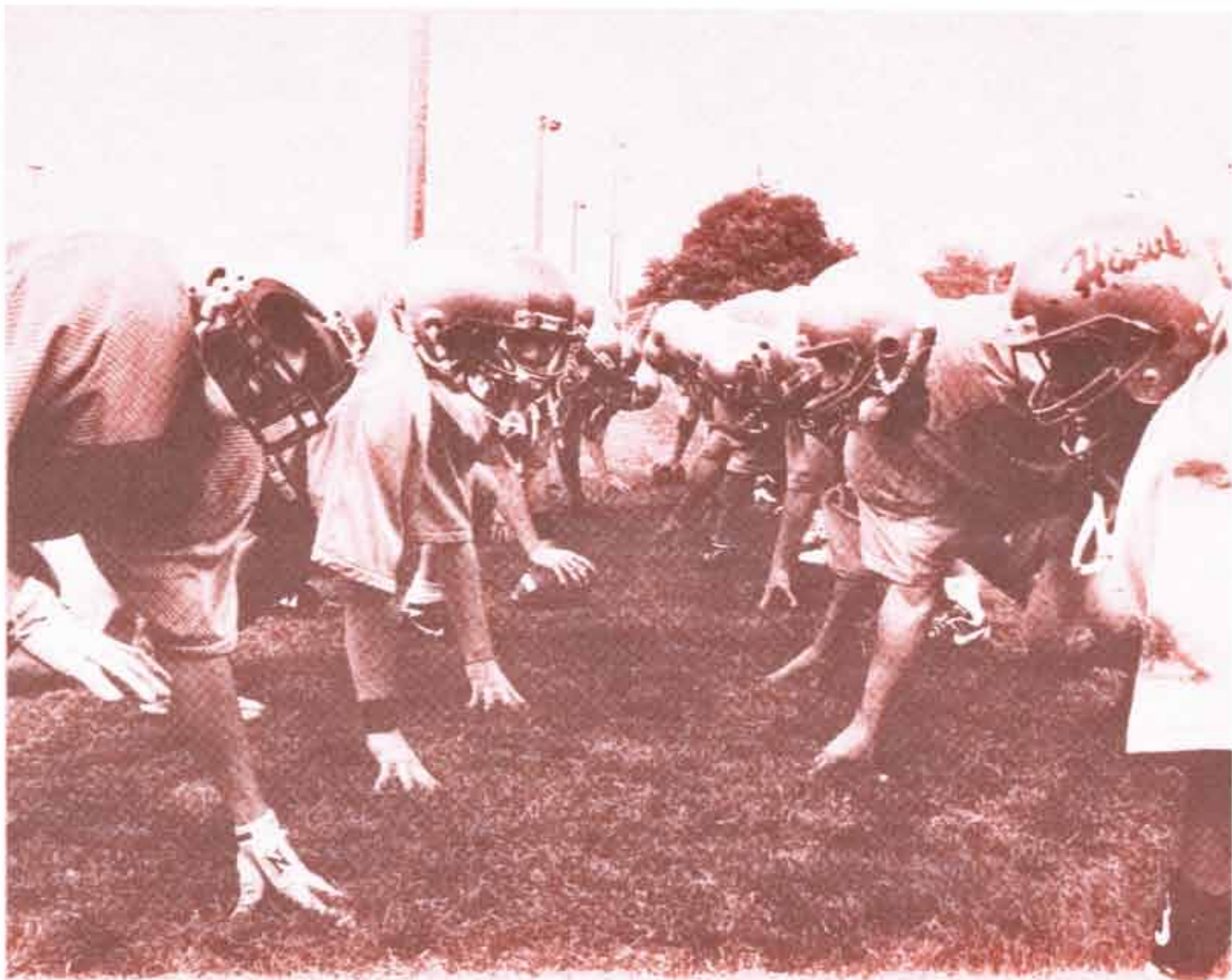
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PICTURE KELU WATSON

## Kicking off a new season

SCOTT STINSON  
CORD SPORTS

This Saturday marks the start of the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks football season as they host the York University Yeomen at 4:00 pm at Seagram Stadium.

Expectations are high for first year Head Coach Rick Zmich as once again the Hawks will field a talented squad. Returning starters include quarterback Bill Kubas, slotback/wide receiver Stefan Ptaszek, linebacker Mike Chievers, and offensive tackle Mark Ferguson. After last year's disappointing loss to the eventual Vanier Cup champion U of T Varsity Blues in the OUAA playoffs, the Hawks are looking to get back to their 1991 championship form.

Saturday's game also marks the debut of the artificial turf surface at Seagram Stadium. The Hawks hope that their fast, high-powered offense will be able to take advantage of the solid footing that the shiny new surface will provide.

As for Laurier's opposition in their opening game, the York Yeomen are gunning to win a game in the regular season for the first time in six years. Spurred on by a win over the Concordia Stingers in the pre-season, the Yeomen hope this season will be a breakthrough one.

Two of Laurier's blue chip returnees

have excellent shots at breaking career records in both the OUAA and CIAU. Kubas needs 92 completions, 8 touchdown passes, and 1,031 yards passing to break the OUAA career marks in all three categories. The records were set by Dan Feraday at the University of Toronto in the early eighties. Meanwhile, Ptaszek, who already holds the OUAA record for receiving yardage in a single season at 865 yards,

needs 11 receptions, 6 touchdowns, and 176 receiving yards to surpass the OUAA career marks in all three categories. Should Ptaszek roll up over 446 receiving yards, he will set the career yardage mark in the CIAU as well.

So Saturday's kick-off brings with it many questions. How will the team fare under the guidance of Zmich? How will they be affected by the turf? Can Kubas and Ptaszek rewrite the record books? Come out to the games and find out the answers.

## "Starving Students" feed the hungry

AMANDA DOWLING  
CORD NEWS

Rahul Raj has found a way to fill hungry stomachs without spending a dime. Last spring the WLU Business Major, then in first year, organized a program that allowed students living in residence to donate their extra meal plan credit to the hungry of Kitchener/Waterloo.

"I'm a light eater, and I found myself with a ton of extra cash in my card in April. I thought, somehow I can get food to someone," said Raj.

He quickly cooked up a plan. Students in residence donated \$3100 in unused meal plan money to the cause. The credits supplied eighty complete hot Easter dinners to soup kitchens such as The Working Center, St. John's Kitchen, and The House of Friendship. In addition, \$2000 worth of bulk food was donated to the Food Bank of

Kitchener/Waterloo.

The meals were delivered personally by Raj who found the task to be the most enjoyable of them all.

"The neatest thing was going to St. Monica's house," which is a home for unwed mothers.

"All of the sudden these girls rushed into the kitchen and were all thanking us and everything. It was really cool," said Raj.

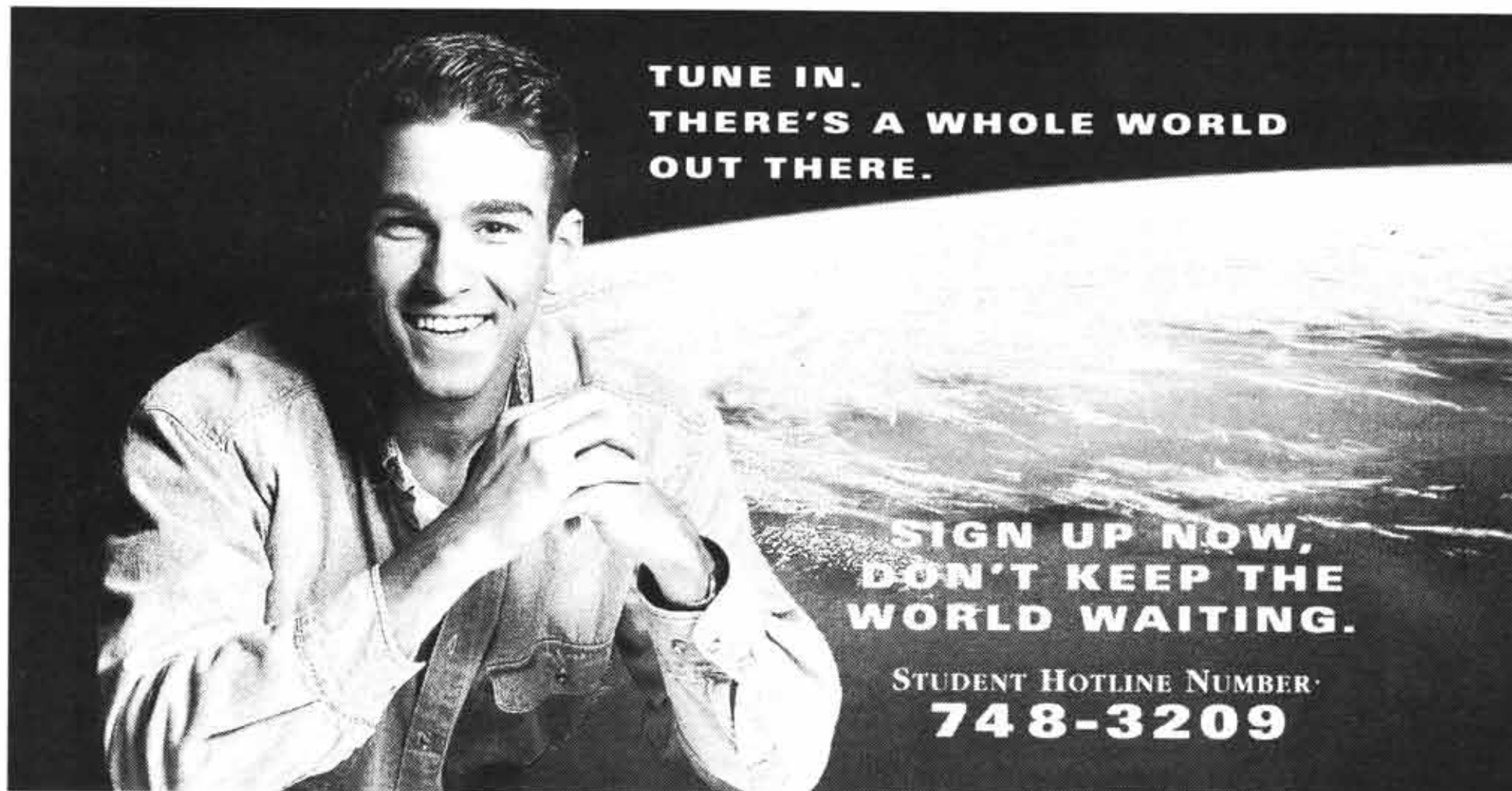
With their less voracious appetites, it was the females living on campus that gave the most credit, with donations ranging from five to 100 dollars. Raj plans to continue with the program this year with two drives, one at the end of each term.

He hopes to raise \$6200. Once again this year's not-so-starving students at Laurier will have the opportunity to feed people who are starving.

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# A new batch arrives



The elements conspired against frosh but failed to dull their fair weather spirits this week. Despite rain and cold the 1,350 new students show tireless enthusiasm.

## Clark could cause Code of Conduct commotion

INGRID NIELSEN  
CORD NEWS

Russell Clark, an elected Director for the Students' Union, was convicted of assault July 29, regarding his actions at the Ezra Street party in April.

Now the Students' Union Board of Directors must decide appropriate action to take when a director is convicted of a serious offence. Currently, there is no code of conduct for the directors.

The incident took place on the night of April 22, 1994. Ezra Street in Waterloo was filled with hundreds of students celebrating the end of exams.

"The way it happened, the students just took over the street," said Superintendent Paul Jardin. "All we could do as police officers was contain it - with numbers ranging between 400-800 students."

Clark had been drinking excessively that evening, and was "considered intoxicated", as indicated by police records revealed in the court proceedings.

Clark tossed a beer bottle and struck someone in the crowd. He had accidentally struck a friend in the head, and quickly apologized. Defense stated that, "people were all tossing beer bottles."

Some tension arose from the scene, and

Clark encountered Kevin Hardy. The two began to quarrel.

Hardy, the plaintiff in this case, had previously dated an ex-girlfriend of Clark's. There was a history of hostility between the two.

Suddenly, Clark swung his arm around with a beer bottle in it. This combination made contact with the left side of Hardy's face. Hardy went to the ground and started to bleed.

Clark also sustained minor cuts to his hand.

Hardy was taken directly to the

hospital for numerous "stitches".

Clark disappeared into the crowd, but was later identified to police. He was charged with assault with a deadly weapon. This charge was withdrawn after the officers decided that "everyone at the scene was too intoxicated to be credible witnesses," says Clark.

"When I heard the talk about the incident during the next few days, on Sunday, I went to the police station and was subsequently charged with assault," says Clark.

During the trial, prosecution said, "These are young people, but they are substantially mature and well-educated. They must learn that if they don't hold the rein on their emotions, they are going to jail. A sentence has a

great potential to set an example."

Defense referred to Clark's school curriculum, his "great level of work for the Students' Union", and "his great remorse" regarding this incident. Clark has since attended alcohol and anger assessment and counseling.

The judge passed a "short, sharp sentence" of seven days in jail, and probation for one year. Clark is to keep peace and good behaviour, report to a probation officer as indicated, and to have no contact with Kevin Hardy.

"This court must send the message that this is criminal behavior," said the judge.

The sentence was effective immediately, beginning July 29. Clark served 91 hours of "loneliness and boredom", until he was released Tuesday, August 2, for good behaviour.

"I learned not only from my sentence, but from talking to the others in there. I don't think that's a place where I should be, or where I belong," says Clark. "My sentence may seem insignificant com-

pared to the others but it didn't feel like just four days."

As for Clark's position on the Board, no motions have been made for his resignation.

"My hands are tied. There's nothing I can really do," said Ralph Spoltore, Students' Union president, with regards to the lack of code for the directors.

"If someone wants me to resign, they should just come up and talk to me. No one ever approached me. I have only heard rumours," says Clark.

"I paid a price, but more important, I learned a lot more over the past three months than some people may think."

## Attention: WLUSU by-election

Want fame, fortune, and the respect of your peers? Then win a lottery.

But if the thought of actually participating in the intrigue of student politics makes you shiver and makes you feel so good all over then now is the time and here is the place.

In October 1994, the Election Council will be holding a by-election to fill 1 (one) vacant seat on the WLUSU Board of Directors.

All members of the Laurier Corporation (yeah buddy, that means you) are invited to run for this position.

For more information leave a note in the Chief Returning Officer's mailbox located in the WLUSU office, third floor of Students' Union Building.



# Holy Big Bag O' Crime, Batman

## Cruelty To Animals

1400 Hrs Tue Aug 2/94

The duty officer noticed that a dog had been left in a vehicle that was parked at the meters in lot 13. The officer noted that the dog had been in the car for sometime with only one window slightly rolled down and that it seemed to be quite hot in the vehicle. The owner was located at the library and advised to attend the dog. She complied.

## Cause Disturbance

2230 Hrs Fri Aug 5/94

A complaint was received regarding a number of youths playing soccer in the hallway of the third floor of Bricker Residence. On the duty officer's arrival a great deal of noise was heard coming from the area. The participants were requested to stop and complied. No further action was required.

## Cause Disturbance

0230 Hrs Sun Aug 7/94

The duty officer responded once again to a complaint regarding noise in the hallways of Bricker Residence. He found the same youths having a pillow fight and knocking on doors. The youths' chaperon was spoken to and she assured the officer that there would be no more such incidents. A final warning was given.

## Accidental Injury

1020 Hrs Mon Aug 8/94

This office received a report that on Aug 7th an individual who was playing football on the field by Willison Hall sustained some minor injuries. The individual jumped to catch a football and landed on the hood of a vehicle, slid across it smashing the windshield. The injured party was transported to KW Hospital and treated for minor cuts. No further action was required by this department.

## Theft Under \$1000

0800 Hrs Tue Aug 9/94

It was discovered that sometime during the night person(s) unknown had smashed the glass out of the vending machine in the Peters Building and removed a number of candy bars and bags of chips. No suspects.

## Break, Enter & Theft

1350 Hrs Wed Aug 10/94

The custodian in the Student Union Building reported a broken beer bottle on the floor inside the Turret. Investigation revealed that person(s) unknown had entered through the northwest door to the premises, forced open the fridge doors and removed approx. 12 bottles of beer. The door was locked but it was discovered that the latch would stick preventing the door from being secure. The door has since been repaired. The investigation is continuing.

## Trespass

1820 Hrs Thur Aug 11/94

The contractors at Seagram Stadium reported that they had asked a male individual who was jogging on the track to leave. The individual refused to leave until he had finished his last two laps. On security's arrival the individual had already left. He was contacted at his home and advised that should there be a repeat of this incident he would be charged with trespassing. No further action was required.

## Trespass

0245 Hrs Thur Aug 11/94

While on a routine patrol the duty officer observed three males enter the construction site at King and Bricker. The site was checked but no trace of them could be found. Apparently they exited through the other side.

## Noise Complaint

0250 Hrs Fri Aug 12/94

Complaints were received from hotel guests at Conrad Residence regarding people playing soccer on the field and basketball in lot 3. This was a conference group who had arrived late and were expending some energy after a long bus ride. They were asked to conclude their activities which they did. No further action was required.

## Theft Under \$1000

0040 Hrs Tue Aug 16/94

Officers responded to a call from an occupant in Euler Residence reporting that she saw two males exiting the rear of Bricker Residence with two bookshelves. When she yelled at them they dropped the cases and fled. The duty officers conducted a thorough search of the area with negative results. The bookcases were recovered.

## Attempted Theft

2330 Hrs Thur Aug 18/94

Officers observed three suspicious youths standing in front of the coin box at the gated lot. When they were approached the youths rode off on their bikes towards King St and made good their escape. The coin box was found to have fresh striation marks and it appears that an attempt to pry open the box was made. This box is emptied on a regular basis.

## Mischief

0300 Hrs Sat Aug 20/94

The duty officer responded to a call from the Head Resident of 44 Bricker who reported that he had apprehended two intoxicated males that were caught attempting to remove the hinges from the door leading to the games room in the residence. As the Head Resident was calling the Security Office the two suspects fled. They were apprehended in the bushes on the north side of the Arts Building. It was established that they were trying to gain entry to the games room to make use of the facilities and that they were registered guests. At the request of the head resident the two were evicted. No further action was taken.

## Cause Disturbance

0100 Hrs Sun Aug 21/94

An intoxicated male was apprehended outside Willison Hall after a report was received that he was being noisy and attempting to gain entry to the building. Investigation revealed that he was an alumnus of the WLU football team and was looking for the head coach as he had nowhere to stay. He was subsequently taken to a friend's house.

## Medical Assistance

1737 Hrs Sun Aug 21/94

The security department was requested to call an ambulance for an injured football player who required urgent medical attention. He was transported to KW Hospital and later returned with a stiff neck.

## Theft Over \$1000

1615 Hrs Mon Aug 22/94

The housing office reported the theft of furniture valued at approx \$2978.00 from rooms at Bricker Residence. It appears that the furniture went missing over a period of time during the past month. There are no suspects at present. The matter is still under investigation.

## Suspicious Person

2054 Hrs Tue Aug 23/94

Officers responded to a report of a male individual who appeared to be tampering with the computers at 202 Regina. Investigation revealed that the individual was from Computing Services and was installing a new line. No further action was required.

## Attempted Theft

2345 Hrs Tue Aug 23/94

The duty officer apprehended two males crossing King St carrying a large wooden door. Investigation revealed that they had taken the door from outside the Shamrock Cafe thinking that it had been discarded as garbage. The door had in fact been placed there by contractors renovating the premises. The suspects were made to return the door & released with a warning.

## Non Reportable MVA

1400 Hrs Thur Aug 25/94

The duty officer investigated the minor accident which occurred involving one of the construction worker's vehicles and one of the trucks delivering material to the new Science Building site.

## Theft Under \$1000

1510 Hrs Fri Aug 26/94

WLUSU officials reported the theft of two patio type umbrellas from the Turret. The theft is still under investigation.

## LLA Violation

0245 Hrs Sat Aug 27/94

An intoxicated male was found passed out in the parking lot at 202 Regina. He was awakened and sent on his way home.

## Attempted Break and Enter

0020 Hrs Sun Aug 28/94

Officers responded to a security alarm at 202 Regina. On checking the perimeter doors they found the bottom of the door next to the receiving dock at the east side of the building had been bent out approx 8 inches. An interior check of the building was made and all appeared to be in order. It seems that the person(s) responsible were not able to enter the building. PP&P have been notified to repair the door.

## Narcotic Control Act Violation

0710 Hrs Fri Sept 2/94

The grounds crew supervisor reported finding an 18 inch high marijuana plant in a small pot at the rear of the Bricker St residence. A search for other plants was conducted but none could be found.

## Theft Under \$1000

1055 Hrs Sat Sept 3/94

A neighboring resident on Seagram Dr reported that persons unknown had stolen a 3 foot high ornamental church from his backyard sometime Friday night. (Eds. note: this property has since been recovered)

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## OSAP: A student's technical manual

ROBERT GLOVER  
CORD NEWS

It's OSAP time again.

Student Awards is now handing out OSAP documentation for processing. The documents will be distributed at the Paul Martin Centre until Monday, after which, they can be picked up in the Student Awards Office.

With approximately 50 percent of all students at Laurier receiving some form of OSAP loans, expect the lineups to be long. There's no sense in waiting any longer than you have to, so to help cut down the waiting time, it might be helpful to do some preparation before committing yourself to the line.

Make sure your name is on one of the OSAP lists. If it isn't, it means your form is not ready yet. Lists are updated every Friday.

Once you've found your name is on the list, make sure you have your social insurance number with you. If you don't have your card bring an official tax return or some other government document.

You'll also need your student ID, your registration form, and a statement listing your actual earnings over the summer. If you were accepted for OSAP, you received a form in the mail for your

employer to fill out. Have it completed ahead of time.

When you receive your OSAP forms, tuition and other school expenses are already deducted. To access the money, you must go to a chartered bank. There are a couple of new things about OSAP to watch out for this year. The Federal government has announced it will increase the weekly Canada Student loan limit from \$105 to \$165 per week. The increase will take the form of higher loan limits, interest subsidies, deferred grants for students with high debt loads and special opportunity grants for students with disabilities, high-need /part-time students, and women in certain doctoral studies.

Except for grants to students with disabilities, the government will only start phasing in the additional increases during the 1995-96 academic year, so don't put a down payment on that Ferrari just yet.

The Ontario government has introduced a loan forgiveness program. This was designed to help ease the pain when OSAP went from a loan/grant system to a loan only system last year. Through this program, when you finish school, you have six months' grace before you're required to repay your loan.

Before the grace period is up, you are required to contact your bank to work out payment on the amount you owe. A percentage of the total loan owing won't have to be repaid. Keep two things in mind: the amount forgiven depends on the amount loaned and the number of terms in school, and it will go directly to the bank, not to you. The loan forgiveness program applies only to loans given out after September, 1993.

If you run out of money, or the size of the loan is insufficient, contact the Student Awards office. There, you can apply for a bursary and/or apply for an emergency loan. Bursaries are rewarded on the basis of need, and unlike loans, you aren't required to pay them back. Emergency loans are applied against the balance; more money borrowed in the fall means less money for you in the winter.

You can appeal the decision made on the actual size of the loan, but appeals do take a long time to process. Keep in mind, that the limits are set by the governments involved, not the school, so screaming at the Awards staff won't accomplish much. Have patience; you'll need it.

## TRAIL MIX A Variety of Thoughts About The Path Of Life. By Amanda Dowling

It's smaller than we remembered it. It was probably the excitement of the moment last spring as the six of us walked through the neatly trimmed doors, and across the hardwood floors of the house we were to rent that made us think otherwise. Perhaps it grew in size each time we described the perfect place we found to our friends. It's small, but it's cozy, and most importantly, it's ours. As we move our belongings in and kick our parents out, this fact is becoming apparent.

There is so much to move into this tiny place. Our parents spent the summer stocking us with supplies. Once frugal folks, suddenly spent sizable sums on their children. We were given more gifts and gadgets each time they came home. Bowls, bed sheets, book shelves... slowly the paraphernalia mounted, as if a dowry was being prepared for some absent-in-laws.

By bestowing us with Bee-mops, and arming us with Ajax, perhaps they somehow hope to protect us. Perhaps they'll sleep better at night knowing that their children are resting a few hundred miles away between fabric-softened sheets. Perhaps they did this because the advice, the dishes and the linens are the only things they can give us to prepare us for our first year on our own.

We are on our own for the first time really. Last year we lived in residence under the University's protective wing with meal plans to fill our tummies, and a don to keep the peace. Now we are six girls alone, together. Within these walls we share more than toothpaste and tuna fish; we're sharing the thrill of independence. Without parents or dons we go about our routines, not wildly or recklessly, but independently - at last.

As we unpack, we talk, laugh and reacquaint ourselves after a long summer. We'll be up late tonight, and tomorrow, we'll be together again. As the boxes empty, we are filled with assurance. Slowly, we are beginning to realize that we're not as alone as we thought we would be. Strangely, we're finding that we need each other as much as we needed our parents when we were five. We broke free from our families only to form another where we least expected it: beneath the roof of this tiny student house.

We're idealistic now, and on our best behavior. Secretly, we're all hoping that this peace will last. Tales are told too often about friendships ruined over dirty pots or unpaid bills. Hopefully we'll be able to overcome all of these difficulties and keep our sense of humour, because as much as we like our independence, none of us want to be completely independent.

More than the belongings bestowed on us that crowd the corners of this house, it is each other's company that will help us through the school year soon to begin. As long as this cozy house doesn't become claustrophobic, we'll have this newly formed family to replace the ones we've left behind.

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# City to make park out of "goat path"

HEATHER MUNDELL  
CORD NEWS

Laurier students who cut through the green space across from the Aird Centre to get home will soon be walking the paths of a city park. The City of Waterloo is planning to develop a new park, tentatively called "Scholar's Green", directly across the street from the Laurier campus.

The development of the green space is being considered for several reasons. According to Chris Bradley, the External Affairs Commissioner of the WLU Students' Union, the development of a park will benefit the community, as well as students. Furthermore, the project is an environmentally friendly initiative which helps to guarantee green space in the community for years to come.

Scholar's Green will be bordered by University Avenue to the South, Hazel Street to the West, Beech Street on the North, and by an existing pathway on the East.

The plans for the park are relatively simple. Says Bradley, the space has "that goat path cutting through it" where people taking shortcuts have trampled the grass. In the proposed plans, asphalt walkways will replace the dirt paths that criss-cross the space. A large circle will be paved where the paths meet in the centre of the park, creating a

speaker's area. Trees and flowers will be planted all around the park, and benches will be installed. The city is also looking at the possibility of erecting an activities board to advertise university and community events.

The initial proposal for the Scholar's Green project had a cost slightly over \$20,000. Laurier's Students' Union made a commitment to support this project last year when President Sean Taylor pledged to donate \$2500 to be raised through fundraising initiatives.

Since then, Laurier students have agreed to pay a green fee of 50¢ per term into an environmental fund administered by the Students' Union. On behalf of the External Affairs Board, Bradley has asked the WLU Students' Union Finance and Building Committee to set aside \$3000 raised through the green fee for the development of Scholar's Green. The issue will be discussed by the Board of Directors this Friday.

The University of Waterloo Federation of Students is also contributing an undetermined amount of money to the park development. The City of Waterloo will pay the remaining development costs, and will also pay for the park maintenance.

It is hoped that the development of Scholar's Green will start this fall, but there are still too many variables to be sure. Bradley says that the committee in charge of the park is "now at the costing stage."

PICTURE: MARK HEASLEY

# SUB expansion a reality

JENN FLYNN  
CORD NEWS

After four years of plans being tossed from president to incomer, the Students' Union Building is finally about to expand. This year the plans become a reality.

The history of the idea to expand the current Students' Union Building begins back in 1990. The President of the Students' Union and the Board of Directors felt it was necessary to get the ball rolling for a number of reasons. The current building opened in 1970 when the University had only

2500 full time students. Today, Laurier enrolls over 8000 full time and part time students and the SUB is, quite frankly, too crowded. The current building originally housed 14 clubs in one room. Right now, 58 clubs share that same space.

Expansion would provide for an increase in space for clubs, special interests groups, student publications and student government.

The Turret, the on-campus bar whose home is the top floor of the Students' Union Building has become a very popular spot for students and is too small to accommodate the increase in the number of patrons, therefore many are turned away or left in long line ups.

The expansion would increase the size allowing for a higher capacity and enabling the booking of major bands and concerts.

Over the preceding three years, successive presidents Nick Jimenez, Christina Craft, and Sean Taylor moved the expansion project along.

The financing of the building had to involve student payments, a certain amount each term over the next nine or ten years.

Before the project could continue, the consent of the entire student body needed to be

obtained. In the fall of 1993, Taylor (Students' Union President 1993-94), and the Board of Directors conducted a Referendum campaign. They went to the residences to tell students about the expansion, held open forums, and distributed pamphlets.

On October 5, 1993 the students went to vote and 75 per cent voted YES to expansion. This is when the project really took off. An architect was selected, a letter of intent was drawn up, and a time line was prepared.

Joe Somfay was the architect chosen. The letter of intent detailed the committees involved in the entire project, and an agreement between the University and the

Students' Union was reached regarding their respective share in the cost of building a \$2.8 million project.

Over the past winter, committees planned and discussed how the building would be used, what would be included in the design, and when all of this would happen.

Construction was to begin in April of 1995

and the finished project would be ready by the following September.

Since then, there have been some other major decisions and a few changes. Rest assured, as major shareholders of this corporation you will be kept well informed through articles in The Cord, information sessions in Frosh Week, as well as in residence.

*Turret has become too small to accommodate the increase in patrons.*



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# citywide shit swap

PAULA CLARK  
CORD NEWS

Don't know what to do with that creepy bust of Elvis that your ex-roommate left behind? Or maybe you can't find the perfect spot for the latch-hook rug your great-aunt Bertha gave you. Well, fret no longer! The city of Waterloo's Waste Reduction Centre has the solution.

Saturday September 10 is the date set for the region's annual Goods Exchange Day.

Started in 1991, this is the day when cities all over the region hold a giant community "garage sale". The only thing is, everything is free! Yes, FREE! Residents are asked to set out their usable, household junk at the end of their driveways with a sign marking items as free.

Then, people are able to wander about and pick up anything that catches their eye. Of course, participants of this event are also requested to respect those people who are holding garage sales and if you are in doubt about an item, ask about it.

The day starts at 8:00 am and by 6:00 pm residents are asked to remove any unwanted items from their driveways. Unfortunately, there is no longer a special garbage pick-up after the event. This is due to a municipal budget squeeze which leaves less money for such things.

In Cambridge, however, residents can be eligible for a landfill voucher worth \$15 that they may use to dispose of the remaining junk. There is also the possibility that Salvation Army, Goodwill, or scrap dealers will pick up anything they can use.

Kim Kitagawa, the Waste Reduction Coordinator for the region, said that this is a fairly popular event twice a year. "I saw a lot of exchanging going on in May" and she hopes that the event will continue to be successful. A Goods Exchange Day is held on the second Saturday in May and September which promotes reuse.

Kitagawa also said that the region hopes that this will help to promote a new "waste reduction master plan". This would be a five year plan in which a Goods Exchange Day would occur at the end of every month between April and September.

This plan has yet to be approved by the regional council. If approved, promotion for the plan will begin next summer.

So, this Saturday, September 10, get your unwanted, but usable stuff out in front of your house. Go do some treasure hunting of your own. What's the old saying? Someone else's junk could be your treasure.

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## 's Up Around Campus

### A Calendar of Events

#### September 5

- Selected works from the Woldemar Neufeld Collection on display in the Robert Langen Gallery until September 10th.

#### September 10

- Shinerama from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. First-Year students will raise money for Cystic Fibrosis research by shining cars, shoes, eyeglasses, etc. at downtown locations and shopping malls.
- Part-time student orientation. \$15 per person 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. John Aird Center foyer. Call 884-0710 ext. 4104 for more info.
- Orientation for international students 9:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the solarium.

#### September 12

- Fall Term Starts
- WLU fine arts studio instructors multimedia art display. Robert Langen Gallery until October 1.

#### September 13

- Music at Noon. A free concert in the John Aird Centre recital hall.
- State of the art computer lab opens for the students in the School of Business and Economics.
- Registration for Continuing Education courses in music appreciation and urban geography begins. Call 884-0710 ext. 4447 for info.

#### September 16

- Auditions for Theatre Laurier's fall production to be held. Call 884-0710 ext. 2882 for info.

#### September 18

- Terry Fox Run at Fed Hall. Registration begins at 12:30; opening ceremonies begin at 1:00 p.m. Call 741-3651 for info.



# Protest organized against cuts to OHIP

**SHELDON PAGE**  
CORD NEWS

Laurier's Graduate Student Association (GSA) has joined forces with the Students' Union to determine how students are reacting to the recent cuts to OHIP coverage for international students.

During this month, both undergraduate and graduate students will be given the opportunity to sign a protest card concerning the OHIP coverage.

The GSA will be visiting first year grads in all programs and giving them an opportunity to sign a card. The Students' Union has cards available during Frosh Week at their information booth and will be promoting the issue at various Laurier events until the end of the month.

"The card is a form of petition," said Students' Union VP: University Affairs, Scott McCormick. "It [the card] is a sounding board. If they [the students] are against it, we offer them a sounding board."

At present neither the Students' Union or the GSA has a firm position on the issue.

"We feel it was wrong, the way the government did it [made the cuts]," said GSA VP: External, Dawn-Marie Porter. "There are mixed feelings whether it should have been done or not."

McCormick has not taken the issue up with the Union's Board of Directors and will refrain from taking an official position until meeting with the Board.

A response of 200 graduate students and 500 to 1000 undergraduates would reflect a negative opinion of the cuts, McCormick and Porter said.

The Students' Union has been involved in the cutback issue since it was announced this spring. McCormick met unsuccessfully with Ontario Health Minister Ruth Grier earlier this summer. "She [Grier] swept us away like dog food," said McCormick. He believes that even if there is a good response to the petition, no action will be taken by the Health Ministry.

As a result of the cutbacks, international students will receive no OHIP benefits whatsoever.

Laurier is offering a health care package underwritten by Blue Cross. International students can not be admitted to a university without having some form of health insurance.

In comparison to Ontario, McCormick pointed out that most European countries offer full health coverage to foreign students. He cited England, Germany, and France as examples.

McCormick was not sure if the Union was looking towards the upcoming provincial election as a platform for having the OHIP cuts reexamined.

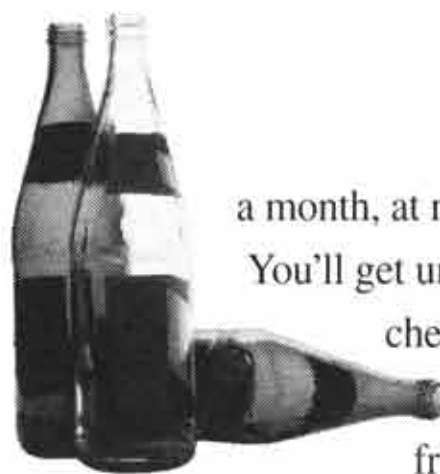


McCormick and Porter protest OHIP cuts.

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# Learning in the Field

trying to deal with the lack of water.

**I:** What do you feel you got out of it?

**L:** Experience, not only in the technical aspect of media, but the cultural experience. When I was in the rural areas, I saw people helping people, just for the people's sake. It wasn't for any other reason, like economic or whatever. There are projects going on that even the government doesn't even know about. I learned a lot about support among people.

**I:** How about your experience Ted?

**T:** I worked for ORAP, Organization of Rural Associations for Progress. They are a grassroots organization, the largest non-governmental grassroots organization in Southern Africa. What they basically do is outreach programs to try to mobilize the people to do things for themselves. It helps efficiency, as well as it empowers people. They work in areas such as education, food security, drought relief, you name it. The main thing I was doing was researching environmental degradation in the rural lands of Matabeleland north and south, and rural economics in comparison to the economic structural adjustment program.

**I:** What do you think you got out of the experience?

**T:** It's hard to say. After reading all the handbooks, and then when you go out to the field, it's a lot different. You see people doing things for themselves. When you go back to the classrooms, that's not the message you get. It's a real eye-opener to see that people can do things for themselves, that they don't need the input from large, multi-national organizations. Like I said, eye-opening.

**I:** Michelle, how about your field experience?

**M:** I worked for the Adult Literacy Organization of Zimbabwe (ALZO). I was researching the literacy rate of four companies in the area. The recommendations were generally having the educated employees of the company coming to the Literacy Organization, and be taught how to teach literacy, so they can return to the factories and set up hours where they can teach others. So I listened to a lot of different teaching methods, as well as taught a few classes myself and dealt with conversational english, and the paper work on the side.

It's a very modest organization. One of the things I remember most is the sincerity of the

people, the dedication of the people. We have this misconception going over there that the wealthy western countries are the ones with all the answers. Instead it was striking to see the dedication these people had to solve their own problems, and the only thing lacking there was the money. They know what has to be done, and how to do it.

**I:** What were some of the more difficult aspects of the trip?

**T:** One of the main things was everyone there was black, and you are white, and you are suddenly the minority, "Makiwa", as they call a white person. It was just really strange being in the minority for once.

**L:** You really got to feel what some people here must feel. We don't really understand. But in a place like this, you really learn. It wasn't that you were put down. It's just...shock. Because the whites are never in the townships, they are never there. Especially to see a white female.

**T:** I had someone come up to me and actually tell me he thought I was a hero because I had the courage to come out and live in the high density areas, because I was white.

**L:** We were not supposed to be there. We were supposed to be in the low density, elite, safe places. But I think I took away a lot more because I got to see how they lived there, not just the rich, 80 per cent of the people live in these high density suburbs. They have a stove and a fridge. It's not that different. Some didn't have phones. I didn't have hot water. I had to bath outside, and I had to adjust to that. But it's not that big of a deal. People here live such frivolous lives, and take for granted so many things. The people there communicate with each other so much more. There is not a day that goes by that people don't come to visit. You have to be ready to have someday, seven visitors drop in for dinner.



The whole group on top of Chimanimani mountain in Zimbabwe.

ner. The hospitality is phenomenal.

**I:** How about the other part of your trip - the safari? What sorts of exciting things happened?

The group starts to laugh uproariously.

**T:** A BIGGGGGG Bull Elephant. When we were in Botswana, in the Okavanga Delta, there was one incident. We were with our guide, and we had to walk through this swamp. We had our shoes and socks off, swishing through the water. There was this one clearing, and we stopped to look at these elephants that were off in the distance, about 200 metres away.

Then we hear rustling in the bushes behind us. The guide says it's an elephant. So we decide to walk all the way around, to

avoid this elephant, because we had heard two days before that people last year, that were doing the same thing as us, had been killed by getting too close to elephants and getting trampled.

**L:** They're not like the African Lion Safari elephants. These are real mother elephants.

**T:** So we're taking our little detour around, and all of a sudden this elephant who was feeding quite contentedly we thought, decides to turn around and charge straight at us. Ears flapping, head down, which is a dangerous sign because it means they are quite serious about what they're doing.

Then there's Catherine and I, who are standing behind two palm trees, wanting to take the perfect National Geographic photos, while everyone is scrambling, and running all over, and trying to get downwind...finally, we just had to run.

**L:** Another awesome experience was the day we went backpacking up Chimanimani, one of the most beautiful mountains in the Highlands. We were to spend the night there. It was a three kilometre climb straight up the mountain, and none of us have great mountain climbing skills. We took our time, lots of picture taking. Beautiful scenery. But after three hours, we decided no, this isn't enough. We decide to go higher in search of the waterfall.

**T:** We ended up sleeping in a cave, right by a waterfall, and we went swimming in the ice cold water. Later, we were sitting around the fire, swapping stories and eating, and we heard this rustling in the bush.

**M:** Now we don't want to venture too far because there is a bit of a drop off by the cave. So we just ignore it. We decide to climb into our sleeping bags to sleep. Just as we were almost asleep, this creature runs across our sleeping bags. Katie screams as this big foot lands on her face, and something runs across my sleeping bag. It was big...really big.

**L:** It ended up being a baboon. It had decided to run across our sleeping bags, and actually jumped up on Catherine and Jen's cots. And we're like, whoa, holy shit!

**T:** And somehow, I managed to sleep through it, even though Katie was right beside me screaming her lungs out.

**L:** We were in a cave, lined up right beside each other, with a little bit of grass underneath us. We were exposed to anything. All the elements. Snakes. Anything.

**M:** And it was so cold at night. We ended up sharing sleeping bags because it was so cold, and thank god we did. I'm afraid of mice, and that night we had rats all around our head. These rats were gnawing at our heads. They were scurrying all over the

place.

**I:** You had rats running over you?

**M:** Yup.

**I:** One last thing, what would be your piece of advice for people travelling this way?

**T:** Go with the flow. Don't get uptight. Even incidents when some people had things taken from them, you have to realize it's part of the experience. You have to dive right in, and a lot of times it is sink or swim. I'm pretty sure that all of us came out swimming.

Other students included: Toni Chabley, Katie Dampbouse, Jennifer Meade, Kim O'Grady, Steve Pearson, Catherine Phillips, Zabra Popatia, Amy Reier, Jennifer West, Alana Yuill.



The following is an interview with Laurier students Luiza Furtado, Michelle Demeyere, and Ted Dreger, who travelled to Zimbabwe, Africa as part of their studies in Political Science and Development Studies. Join in their adventure, including everything from dealing with the realities of International Aid, to a mad, charging elephant.

Wanna be a star, too? Please let us know if you have travelled recently. We would love to interview you and share your experiences. Call us at 884-2990, and ask for Ingrid.

## INTERVIEW BY INGRID NIELSEN CORD INTERNATIONAL

**Ingrid:** Why was your group sent to Zimbabwe? What was the purpose of this trip?

**Ted:** The educational experience, but more importantly I think it was the cultural exchange.

**Luiza:** It's putting into context, what we have learned for the past three years in Political Science, and actually going to a country and seeing what we knew, and realizing there really is a lot more.

**I:** Where did you stay in Zimbabwe?

**Michelle:** The first three weeks were in Harare, capital city. We were going to school at the University of Zimbabwe, studying Zimbabwe International Development Studies.

**L:** After that we took a two week tour of the country. We got to see a lot of the different regions, the highlands, the lowlands...the main point of this tour was to experience all the different environmental regions.

**I:** If each of you could tell me a little about your field placements while you were in Zimbabwe?

**L:** Field placements were each five weeks in Bulawayo. I worked at ZBC, the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation.

I worked as a production manager. I did two radio documentaries that did air. And then I worked on a video documentary on Structural Adjustment, and how this affects children, specifically their education. I also worked with a producer from Harare. He was working on a documentary on drought, and drought relief. We went into the rural areas, talked to headmasters, children, administrators, people off the streets. Anyone who was



News

MAY

Col. Guy Brais, the Canadian Armed Forces judge advocate in the case of Master Cpl. Clayton Matchee, said that the soldier was unfit to be tried because of severe brain damage. Matchee was charged with second degree murder, torture and negligent performance of duty in connection to the death of 16



year old Somali Shidane Arone. The brain damage was suffered after Matchee attempted to hang himself in a holding cell at the Canadian Airborne Regiment compound in Somalia. Matchee's case will be reviewed every two years to determine if charges can proceed against him.

Four days of voting in South Africa marked the end of Apartheid and the beginning of a long road back to equality for the majority of its citizens. Explosions rocked several voting stations and the counting process was slow and controversial. Nelson Mandela was eventually named President by the 400 deputies of the new National Assembly.

Dr. Jack Kevorkian, the man who assists the terminally ill in ending their lives, was acquitted, by a Detroit jury, of helping a thirty year old man suffering from Lou Gehrig's disease to commit suicide. It was the first prosecution under a 2 year old Michigan law designed to stop Kevorkian, who acknowledges helping 20 other terminally ill patients to kill themselves.

JUNE

A UN report ranked Canada as the best place to live in the world based on life expectancy, education and standard of living. However, the report did say that women and aboriginals did not fare as well as the overall population. Japan, which topped the list last year, slipped to third, with Switzerland coming in second.

Using the Hubble telescope orbiting the earth, two U.S. astronomers found evidence of a black hole in a distant galaxy. Holland Ford and Richard Harms detected a spiral of fast moving gas clouds being drawn toward the center. The existence of black holes (objects so dense they create gravitational fields strong enough to prevent light from escaping) was hypothesized in 1915 by Albert Einstein.

Doctors in the English city of Gloucester said that since February 7 people had been attacked by bacterial infection that devours human skin, muscle and organs, killing three of the victims. Similar cases were reported in Australia, New Zealand and here in Canada.

Medical officials say the rare disease, known as necrotizing fascitis, can be caused by the Group A streptococcus bacterium, a microbe carried by about 1 in 10 Canadians. Usually it causes no more than a sore throat. Two

Canadian women, from Hull, Quebec and north of Toronto respectively, are battling necrotizing fascitis.

The NDP met resistance as it tried to expand gay

rights. The most sweeping charter of rights for homosexuals anywhere in Canada, the same-sex-spouse bill would have amended 55 provincial laws and extended sick leave, pensions, drug plan coverage and other employment benefits. The bill was eventually outvoted 68 to 59, sending 1000's of lesbians and gays out into the streets to protest.

On June 16 Metro Toronto police constable Todd Baylis was gunned down at a drug-plagued public housing unit. Thousands of uniformed police officers from across Canada and the U.S. stood at attention outside a suburban Toronto church during the funeral service. The alleged assailant, Clinton Gayle, had eluded deportation for earlier crimes. Gayle, who emigrated to Canada from Jamaica at age eight, has ten criminal convictions from drug trafficking to weapons possession. He was ordered to deport March 1, 1991.

JULY

The Ontario government passed what is believed to be the toughest anti smoking legislation in North America. The bill makes it illegal for those under 19 to buy cigarettes, prohibits the sale of cigarettes in most health facilities, including pharmacies, and outlaws the use of vending machines to sell tobacco products.

Angry soccer fans in Columbia killed Andres Escobar, the player who contributed to the country's elimination from the World Cup by inadvertently scoring on his own net in a game against the U.S. Witnesses say 3 people surrounded Escobar in a parking lot, taunted him for his performance, and then shot him 12 times.

A Toronto judge upheld the firing of a perfume saleswoman whose employer said she smelled too bad to demonstrate its products. Sharon Bangle, 52, was fired in 1991 by Calvin Klein Cosmetics (Canada) Ltd.

Shaw, a widow with four children. The two met after they became pen pals in prison. They married at the chapel at the Maximum Security Edmonton Institution.

AUGUST

Both French and English Quebecois appeared to be equally unenthused about the prospect of an election. For the seventh time in the past 25 years, a Quebec election will be a showdown between the Liberals and the Parti Quebecois, 2 parties with very different versions of the future of the province. The result will affect the entire country. A PQ victory by Jacques Parizeau will bring uncertainty until a provincial referendum on independence is held, which Parizeau promised to be 8-10 months after taking office.

An outbreak of cholera added to the misery inflicted on Rwandan refugees in Zaire. More than 1 million have died in the equatorial heat of central Africa, with too little water, food or medicine to deal with a disaster of

this scale. This outpouring of refugees is a result of a blood bath last April across Rwanda. Militias, recruited by the ruling Huta majority, attacked the Tutsi minority, slaughtering an estimated 300,000 men, women and children. After the Tutsi counter-attacked nearly 3 million Rwandans, 40% of the population, and mostly Hutu, fled to escape the crossfire. In the last week of July the Tutsi dominated Rwanda Patriotic Front set up a new government in Kigali, the capital.

Israeli PM Yitzhak Rabin and Jordan's King Hussein signed a historic peace accord in Washington, ending a 46 year state of war between their countries. This was a major step towards stabilizing the Middle East.

A team of scientists and technicians, laboring since June using dental tools, scalpels and paint brushes, extracted pieces of fossilized bone belonging to a Tyrannosaurus Rex, a creature that live 65 million years ago. Little is known about the T-Rex, with only a dozen skeletons having ever been found.



## The Summer That Was...

Whether you were slaving away all summer in some dingy workplace or praying to the sungod on your favourite beach, odds are the goings'on in the world at large may have passed you by. Never fear, the Cord is looking out for you with this handy summer wrap-up of various News, Sports, and Entertainment stories as well as a look at what happened here at Laurier.

FEATURE BY GREG SLOAN  
ART WORK BY D.H.KERTH

Convicted murderer Colin Thatcher, serving a 25 year sentence for the 1983 slaying of his ex-wife, JoAnn Wilson, married Bev

lion years ago. Little is known about the T-Rex, with only a dozen skeletons having ever been found.

# Meanwhile, back at the ranch...

## INGRID NIELSEN CORD FEATURES

For those of you that leave this institution every year come April, you are missing out on a bevy of exciting events. NOT! Actually, life is pretty quiet in these parts from May to September.

However, here's a few interesting tidbits that kept us entertained this summer.

## NEWS

### Thursday, April 21st

Probably the most "exciting" and over-blown event this summer was the Ezra Street post-exam bash. With over 800 people crowded down Ezra street, imagine the damage that could have happened? It just wasn't that bad. There was a lot of broken glass, a lot of noise, and a few scraps with one requiring a lawsuit.

The hype continued into the summer, as the City wanted to make Laurier take responsibility for the event, and pay the damages. Laurier said it was an off-campus event, so forget it.

In the end, the compromise involved a \$200.00 donation to a proposed City park. University of Waterloo did the same.

### June 27 to July 2

Although there aren't many people at Laurier in the summer, there managed to be a few thieves in the crowd. During this one week, Wilf's, the library, the geography computer lab, the Center Spot, and the Second Cup all got hit by vandals.

The best hit had to be the V.C.R. that was stolen from the library. The equipment had been attached with a cable, which was severed with wire cutters.

The scary part is, this is the second V.C.R. to go missing from the library this year.

Work also continues on the new Science Building. It looks great, eh? It will be ready to fill with warm bodies by second semester of this year, complete with new classrooms, lab space, and an awesome new cafeteria.

## SPORTS

### Baseball

Never mind the strike, Laurier has its own baseball to keep us entertained. Although it's not only a Laurier league, it is mostly Laurier students that come out. Actually, it's mostly Laurier Biz students since they are the majority around here in the summer.

In the end the Grey team won, sponsored by the Dragon Palace. Although not known for their humility, they took the title undefeated.

Even if you're not in Biz, check out the league next summer if you're in town.

## ENTERTAINMENT

### June 25 to 26

Did you go to Lollapalooza? No, I mean Waterloo's Lollapalooza. That would be the annual Sounds of Summer event at U of W. With another great line up, they featured The Watchmen, 54-40, Moxxy Fruvos and many more. It's an awesome time, and seems to get bigger every year.



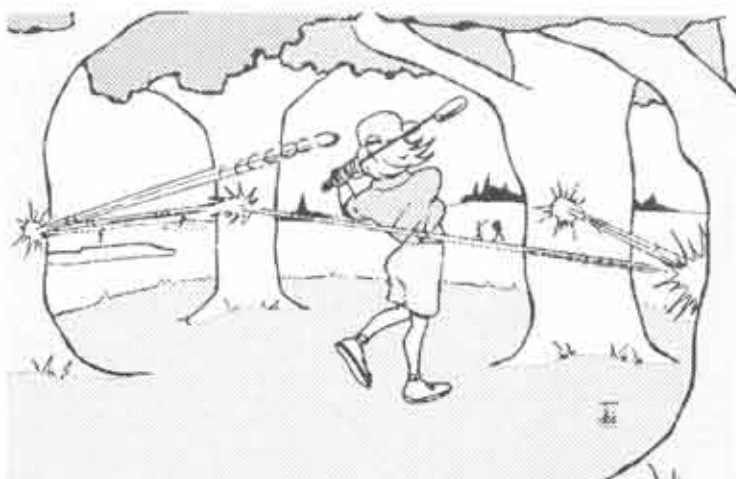
## Sports

**MAY**  
Ayrton Senna died when his Williams-Renault FW16 collided with a concrete containing wall at the San Marino Grand Prix in Imola, Italy. He had won 41 races and three world championships in just over ten years on the Grand Prix circuit. Senna was 34.

Carlos Delgado looked to be a rookie sensation for the Toronto Blue Jays as the 21 year old hit eight homers before April 19. Those eight home runs tied a record set by Minnesota's Ken Hrbek in 1982 for the most home runs hit by a rookie in April. However, Delgado cooled quickly, and as early as May 8 his average had sunk to .225 with 29 strikeouts. He was soon sent back to the minors, quelling the early comparisons to Mantle and Ruth.

## JUNE

At the French Open 19 year old Mary Pierce appeared to be finally



free of her father's violent shadow as she made her best showing yet. However, after upsetting top-ranked Steffi Graf in the semi finals she ended the tournament on a disappointing note, losing 6-4, 6-4 to Arantxa Sanchez Vicario of Spain. On the men's side two Spaniards battled it out, with the defending champion, Sergi Bruguera, defeating Alberto Berasategui in the final.

The Rangers ended their 54 year old drought by defeating the scrappy, never-say-die Vancouver Canucks in seven games. The Rangers looked like they had the series (they were leading 3-1) and game seven all wrapped up, but the Canucks kept battling back. However, the talent rich and experienced Rangers were too much for the underdog Canucks in the end. American Brian Leetch was the

playoff MVP.

An ugly three-way playoff for the U.S. open title ended with South Africa's Ernie Els as the victor. The victory, Els first in a major, came at the expense of American Loren Roberts and Scotland's Colin Montgomerie. The playoff started off atrociously with all three golfers struggling to find the green. Even though Els put his ball into a bush, hit a triple-bogey on the second hole and was four over par as late as the sixteenth hole, he somehow managed to win.

The Houston Rockets defeated the New York Knicks 90-84 in game seven of the NBA finals, giving the city of Houston its first major championship since the Oilers won the American Football League title back in 1961. The Rockets win also spared the rest of the world from having to hear New Yorkers brag about having two championship teams. Hakeem (the Dream) Olajuwon outplayed his

counterpart Patrick Ewing and was rewarded as the series MVP.

## JULY

37 year old Martina Navratilova, in her 22nd, and

last, Wimbledon, was searching for a 10th Wimbledon singles title. Navratilova made it to the finals only to lose to 22 year old Conchita Martinez of Spain.

Leroy Burrell regained the 100 meter world record at the Athletissima '94 meet in Lausanne, Switzerland with a 9.85, one second faster than Carl Lewis's three year old mark. Between them, Lewis and Burrell have broken the record for the 100 meters four times in the last six years.

Mike Keenan, 31 days after coaching the Rangers to the Stanley Cup Championship, quit and quickly signed a deal with the St. Louis Blues. Keenan cited his leaving to a breach in his contract by the Rangers, who were one day late with post season bonus check. Commissioner Gary Bettman, forced

to settle the whole mess, fined everyone involved, including the Detroit Red Wings, who were guilty of negotiating with Keenan while he was still under contract. In a trade meant to compensate the Rangers they received 22 year old center Petr Nedved from St. Louis for Doug Lidster and Esa Tikkanen.

Brazil won the first World Cup on North American soil, and an unprecedented fourth title, by defeating Italy in a shoot-out. Exciting games, large crowds and a strong showing from the underdog home team helped to capture the imagination of thousands of North Americans unfamiliar with the game.

On July 28 Kenny Rogers, the Texas Ranger (not the singer), became only the 12th pitcher in this

century to throw a perfect game. Texas beat California 4-0 at The Ballpark in Arlington behind Rogers' masterful performance. Rogers is the first left-hander to pitch a perfect game.

## August

Paul Azinger returned to golf after an eight month battle with cancer, playing at the Buick Open. Azinger, last years PGA champion, proved Dr. Frank Jobe, who said he had a



ninety percent chance of being cured, correct by battling back to the golf circuit in less than a year. He made six bogeys, shot 76 and finished better than 12 other players in the field.

The World Championship of Basketball wrapped up in Toronto with the U.S. squad (aka Dream Team Two) scoring a lopsided victory over Russia. The U.S. soundly squashed every team they played in the eight-game, 11 day tournament. The Canadian squad, luckily, never had to meet up with Dream Team Two, but they trouble enough with Greece, Croatia and Puerto Rico. In the end the host team had to settle for a seventh place finish in the sixteen team field.

## Entertainment

### MAY

Garth Brooks won Entertainer of the Year award for the fourth straight year at the Academy of Country Music Awards ceremony in L.A. The 4,400 members also voted Brooks' video We'll Be Free as best of the year.

The Crow, from director Alex Proyas, featured Brandon Lee's last film appearance. Lee was accidentally shot and killed during filming last year. The Crow, based on a comic book, is about a rock guitarist who returns from the grave to wreak revenge on the thugs who murdered his girlfriend, not to mention himself.

### JUNE

At the Cannes International Film Festival, Canadian director Atom Egoyan's movie Exotica, the 1st English Canadian film shown in competition since 1985, won the International Critic's prize. It centers on the relationship between a table dancer and her customer in a lavish strip club.

### JULY

In Forest Gump, Tom Hanks plays an Alabama simpleton with an IQ of 75 who becomes an unlikely all-American hero. The film conjures up nostalgia for a lost innocence. This is the first film for Hanks, who recently won an Oscar for his portrayal of a gay lawyer with Aids in Philadelphia. The win has given Hanks the power to garner more meatier roles, such as Gump and the character he will play in his next film, Cmdr James

Lovell, an astronaut in distress.

After last year's bomb, The Last Action Hero, Arnold Schwarzenegger retreated into safer territory with True Lies, directed by James Cameron, who worked with Amie on the Terminator series. Tom Arnold also resurrected his career, if it can be called that, playing Gib, Arnold's partner in the spy game. Much of the movie's slapstick violence and humor came at the expense of the Muslim villains. Several Islamic groups complained about those depictions.

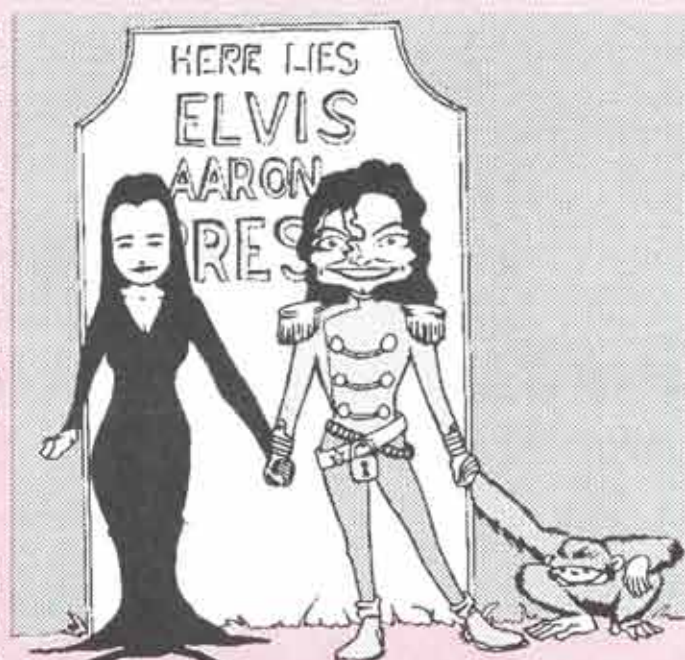
### AUGUST

Filling the void left by the Kids In The Hall, who have left television for the big screen, is another Toronto comedy troupe; The Vacant Lot. Produced by Lorne Michaels, responsible for Saturday Night Live and Kids In The Hall, the show relies on sight gags and dark twists. The troupe has performed together since 1987.

Granddad Mick Jagger and the rest of the Rolling Stones embarked on their year-long Voodoo Lounge world tour. They kicked things off in Washington on August 1, and came to Toronto August 19 and 20.

Lisa Marie Presley, the only child of Elvis, secretly tied the knot with pop star Michael Jackson last May in the Dominican Republic. Only the couple, 2 witnesses and the local judge were present at the ceremony. The Presley estate is estimated to

be worth 150 million, and Jackson more than twice that. Both wanted a private ceremony without the distraction of a media circus. The world did not find out about the two love birds until August.



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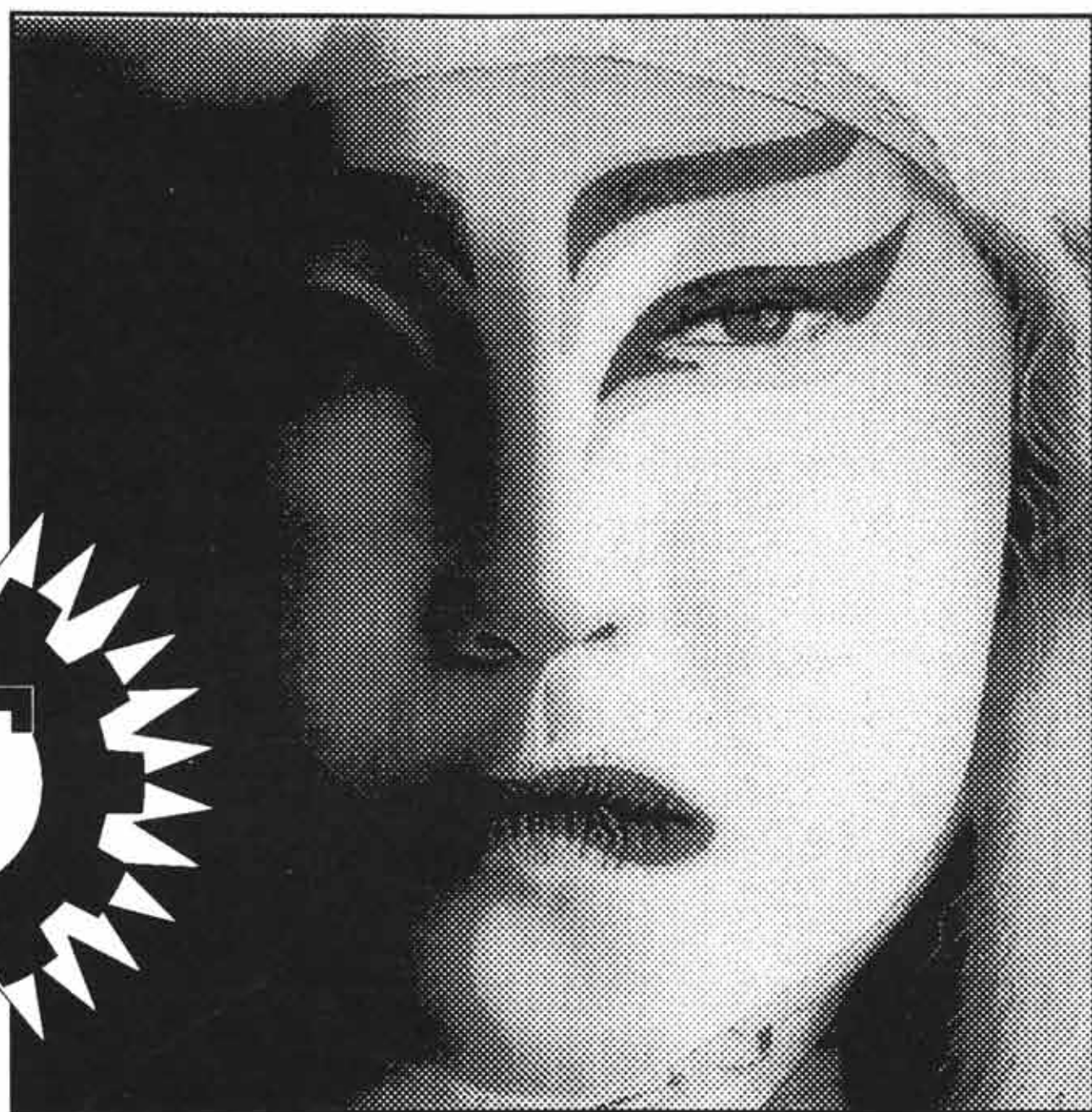
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## A magic carpet ride

It's a great night. It's a Wednesday evening after night class, and Wilf's is packed. Awesome music fills the air as you cradle an ice cold beer. But wait, all of this surely pales in comparison to....the carpet.

That's right, isn't that the single most important factor to a great evening at Laurier's favourite night spot? You might have noticed that Wilf's has new carpet. Then again, you may not have. This modification cost the Students' Union \$1800, "cheap" some say in comparison to the \$5000 they usually spend every second year or so to replace the carpet.

Interesting. Not that Wilf's got new carpet. The old carpet was in pretty rough shape. What is interesting, is the way in which this expense came to pass.

During this summer's Students' Union board meeting, the Union Directors dealt with the budget for 1994/95. Given less than 24 hours to read and assess the \$2.5 million budget, they passed it. Without the carpet expense.

The \$2000 cost was cut from the budget by a majority vote of the elected students directors.

Why? It could be that as of March 1995, the Students' Union building will be under construction. The entire building is being renovated, Wilf's included. Everything will be ripped out, changed and replaced. Including the carpets.

If that's the case, why would anyone install \$2000 worth of new carpet when it will be ripped out in seven months? After an intense debate, the Directors cut the carpet expense, and the budget eventually passed.

Yet, Wilf's still got new carpet. A few weeks later, the Operation Management Board met. This board consists of the Students' Union president, the 4 VPs, the Union Business Manager, the GSA president, and the Student Publications president. Only the 3 presidents and the VP University Affairs are elected by the student body.

It turns out that some people were quite upset that the carpet expense had been cut, namely Wilf's management. They felt that the Directors did not have enough information when they cut the expense. They hadn't realized the importance of new carpet in Wilf's.

The OMB overturned the Directors' decision by a motion put forth by Alison Watson, VP Finance and was seconded by Aileen McPherson, VP Marketing. The carpet was to be installed. The Board of Directors were not consulted prior to the reversal.

Some of those same directors are quite concerned, and rightfully so. What gave the OMB the right to unilaterally override the Board's decision? If the new carpet was so important, why wasn't there someone from Wilf's present at the initial Board meeting to justify the expense? Why weren't these important expenses presented to the Board in time for them to be fully investigated?

Although the Directors have the freedom to vote as they see fit, it appears that there are other avenues to have those decisions adjusted should they be found unsatisfactory.

And then some wonder why the students don't vote. It must be that they're too busy enjoying the carpet in Wilf's.

**Editorial by Ingrid Nielsen, Editor-in-Chief.**

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# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

In reference to the new look of The Cord, I would like to say three little words; IIIIIIIIIII LIKE IT!!!!

Jayson "Rambo" Geroux

Dear Editor

Only in Canada would the insanity displayed by the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) be this apparent. Or is the word Intelligence necessary just to have a vowel within the abbreviation. It would seem the "I" should be replaced by another "S".

CSIS and its predecessor supposedly have a mandate to investigate any threats to national security and then advise the government of any discoveries made during those investigations. Sounds good to me.

However, if past records come into play; such as paying the Pequiste to spy on them-

selves, and the recent paying the white racist Heritage Front in order to solidify their network, it would seem these Intelligence officers pay, but don't know how to play the game. Instead of investigating security threats, they are creating them.

Who in their right mind signed the cheques payable to the founder of the Heritage Front, Mr. Bristow? The Heritage Front was not even formed prior to Mr. Bristow being paid by CSIS. Now, the Heritage Front is listed as this country's largest and most successful neo-Nazi group; four years after receiving CSIS funds, and is a potential threat to national security.

CSIS has other qualities worth discussion. In the world of spies, our Government has to have one of the only unarmed Intelligence networks in the world. Every spy organization worth mentioning has their officers armed, but not here, our version of the CIA has a bunch of guys doling out cheques. They are armed with chequebook in hand

and pen ready to appear.

Are the inmates running the asylum? And please do not refer to the words used by Roosevelt and Truman: "Yes, he's an S.O.B. but he's our S.O.B." Clean up the act, overhaul the ship. What are these guys doing? This ship called CSIS is in bad need of a crew change. Only in Canada, do the bad guys get rewarded.

G.Trudell

Dear Editor

Excuse me, but I find a recent applicant to the Canadian Immigration Board, based on refugee status, extremely irritating.

The applicant in question is none other than a Mr. E. Zundel. You know the guy. He has openly defied Canadian laws with respect to "hate mail" crimes. He has been brought before the Canadian courts, but was dismissed on technicalities. He has been charged and served time in his native Germany for these very same crimes.

Please do not inform me, that the Canadian government is so STUPID as to allow a warped historian into our country. He will use the democratic practice only to fulfil his fascist reality.

G.Trudell

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# X marks the generation

**BRENT P. LANTHIER**  
CORD OPINION

Generation X: The sociological group of the North American population born between the years 1962 and 1974.

Easy enough, right? Not according to the experts who have labelled this age group. Supposedly, we (most Laurier students are of the above age group) are like the typical Canadian: no identity. Yet, more and more events, ideas and thoughts are appearing that show this not to be the case.

The first way to define us is to state that we are not Baby Boomers. That is, the spoiled, sickly nostalgic, mid-life crisis-bearing thirty/forty-somethings that constantly remind us how it was when they were growing up. Now I know this is a curse that every generation bestows upon the next, but Hollywood, the media and Pop Culture has marketed the shit out of it. Movies like *The Big Chill*, 1969, and *The Doors* make every man and woman about our parents age go all misty-eyed and want to break out into song. In fact, until I saw this summer's *Forrest Gump*, I refused to rent *Easy Rider* or anything to do with characters named Moonbeam or Sunshine or Snowplow or whatever; it made me sick to my stomach.

Then there is the whole Classic Rock phenomenon. Now, don't get me wrong, Jimmy Page is my absolute guitar hero and I usually

have the radio in my truck tuned to Y95, but I am so sick of hearing how music today is so loud and it all sounds the same.

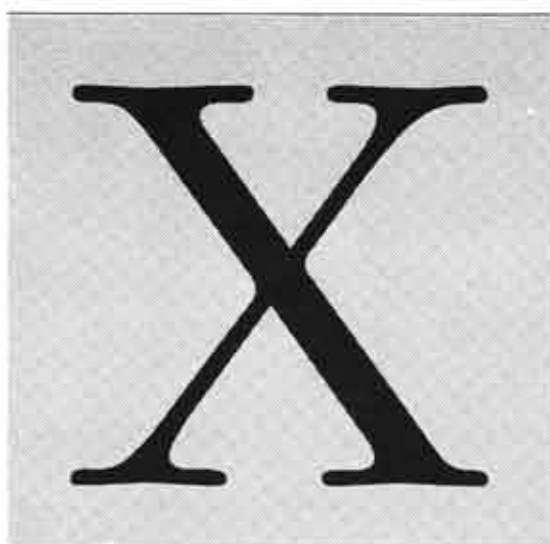
Neil Young once said on TV that he doesn't hear any new bands that are conveying the "Message", and that he doesn't see a bright light for the future of Rock 'N' Roll. HELLO NEIL!! Wake up and smell the Metamucil!

You don't hear the message anymore because the message has changed. It doesn't say "Hey everybody! Let's all get together, smoke a few J's, and bring the world together in peace and happiness!" It says, "Hey man, I'm taking out people with a shotgun in the factory where I used to work because I can't find a fucking job!"

The social activism has changed from the "Let's change these things that aren't good" to "I have got to stay sane and fed at the same time."

Yes, Generation Xers are bitter and cynical. They are bitter because a lot of these ideological types who were at the original Woodstock and had a good time, were the

same people who, in 1994, screwed hundreds of thousands of kids by charging them exorbitant amounts of money for tickets, food and water etc. to go see the second Woodstock.



These were the original hippies who, in the Eighties, became the cut-throat business tycoons who would be shaking your hand as they slit your throat. Or they became the liberal moral majority that has built the repressive political correctness that is stifling freedom of speech, one of

the things that they so steadfastly defended twenty years before.

Generation X is also bitter because of the economy. The social movements of the time led governments to spend incredible amounts of public funds on wasteful practices, leading to increased taxation. Now, I'm not going to give you an Economics lesson, but what it all comes down to is that, when we get into the

workforce, there aren't enough jobs out there for us. Companies have scaled down, unions have secured jobs by setting their older workers' seniority in stone, and consequently we find ourselves heading back to school to receive more training for skills we might never get to use, because the only job we can find is slopping Orange Julius to high-school kids in the food court at the Eaton's Centre.

So far, Hollywood has tried to latch on to the idea that we are the new adults, but have not had much success. The movie *Reality Bites* just didn't work, because it was just too blatantly commercial.

However, one Xer has created some success for himself by writing some of the most violent movies since *Scarface*. Quentin Tarantino has hit it big with *True Romance*, *Reservoir Dogs*, and the new *Natural-Born Killers*. These have become cult-classic movies with university age types, because they are seen as realistic. Sometimes nobody wins, and everybody gets the shit shot out of them. In short, they reflect the truth.

So here we are, pissed off and cynical, not knowing what to do with ourselves. I just hope that I won't be sitting at home with my kids screaming at me about how I sold out, and that all I ever talk about is how it was when I was a young. Now that I think about it, I will: just to piss them off.

## Overcoming terrorism on all sides

**ALEX MOISEEV**  
CORD OPINION

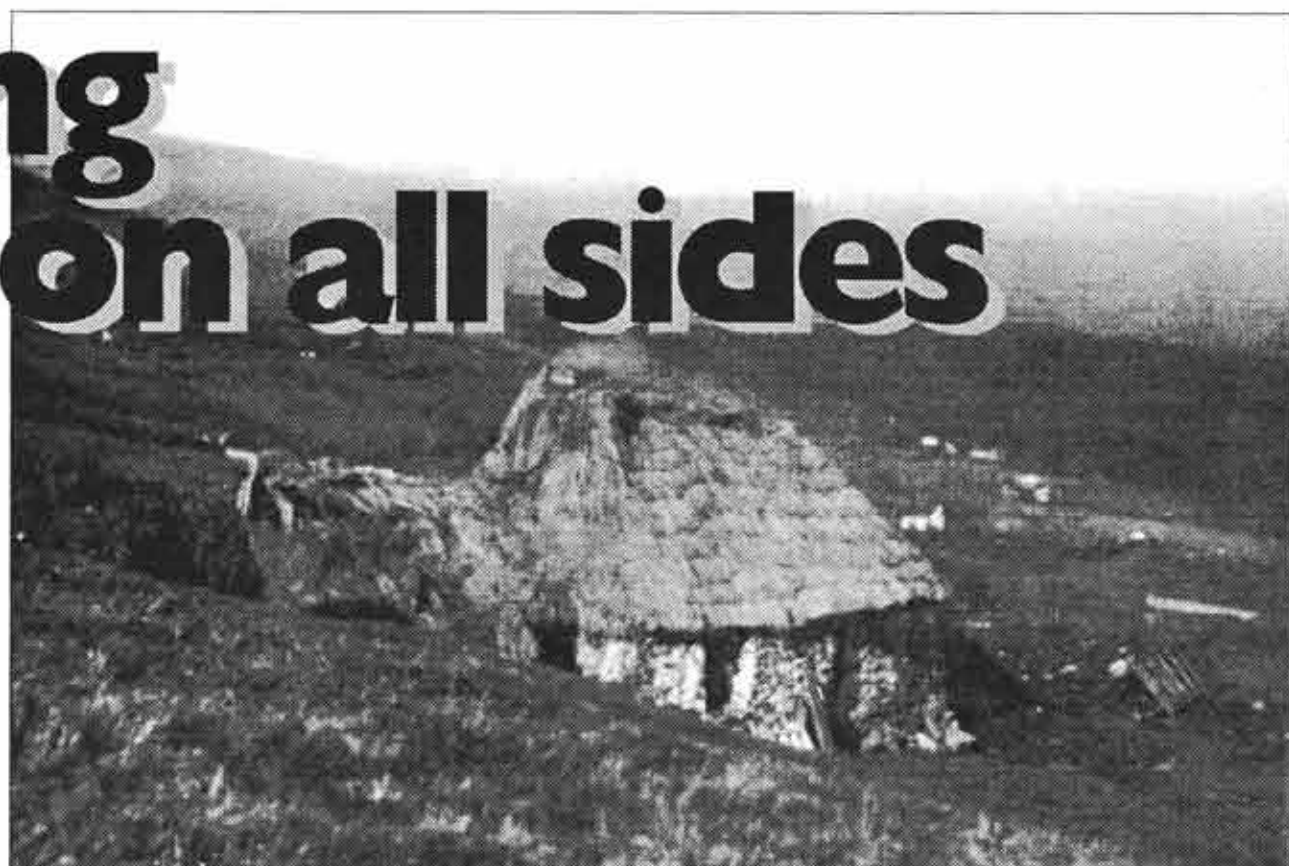
Two months ago, there was no hope for peace in Northern Ireland. Now, with the unilaterally declared ceasefire by the Irish Republican Army (IRA) in place, the prospects for peace appear greater than ever.

With this ceasefire has come a new wave of media examination of Northern Ireland and its problems.

The so-called 'Irish Problem' has been largely misunderstood by most outside of Northern Ireland, and this includes Canadians. According to Chris Brazier, editor of human rights magazine *New Internationalist* (NI) which features the Irish question, the Canadian media prefers to concentrate on 'Third World' issues feeling that

Northern Ireland would be 'Anglocentric.' In fact, this NI feature has been stalled repeatedly since the 1970s by hesitant editors. More likely though, Northern Ireland had been ignored lately, because of the high degree of exposure which accompanied IRA bombings of the 1970s and 1980s. People simply grew tired of reading about the issue.

The myths which surround Northern Ireland must be shattered. The common perception is that the Irish Republican Army has brutally terrorized Britain, killing scores of civilians. According to *VICE*, over 90 percent of the deaths



attributed to the troubles have occurred in Northern Ireland itself. Furthermore, of the three groups fighting in Northern Ireland (including the occupying British soldiers and forces loyal to Britain) the IRA has killed the smallest ratio of civilians. Of the people killed by Loyalist forces, nearly all have been civilians. Even the British army has managed to kill more civilians than IRA soldiers. Should the British, who are supposedly protecting Irish Protestants, be killing so many Irish Catholics?

The British employ the Prevention of Terrorism Act to curb the IRA's activities. Since 1974, nearly 7200 people have been arrested and detained for several days without charge. Only 629, less than nine percent, were subsequently charged with any crime. Such outrageous police powers only serve to fuel the hatred between

Protestants and Catholics. According to *VICE* to occupy Northern Ireland, the British required over thirty thousand troops and nearly \$US600 million. This does not include the further \$US4.2 billion required to administer and subsidize the Protestant population. The disparities between Catholic and Protestant are so great that the Northern Ireland Fair Employment Commission reported that male unemployment ran at about ten percent for the subsidized Protestants and about 25 percent for Catholics.

Finally, *VICE* reports that the border between Ireland and Northern Ireland is among the most fortified anywhere at a time when the rest of Europe's borders have been essentially removed. At some border crossings are 'automatic bollards': thick metal poles, which shoot up out of the ground into vehicles which have not stopped at the checkpoint. There have been several malfunctions leading to serious accidents. Is this a war crime?

The facts of Northern Ireland imply a systematic denial of freedom to the Irish Catholics by the British. Brazier reported that as he walked the streets of Belfast, British soldiers drove by with their rifles trained on his heart. There is a tremendous amount of terrorism and hatred, on all sides, to overcome. While the IRA ceasefire gives hope to the situation, it represents a commitment to peace by only one group.

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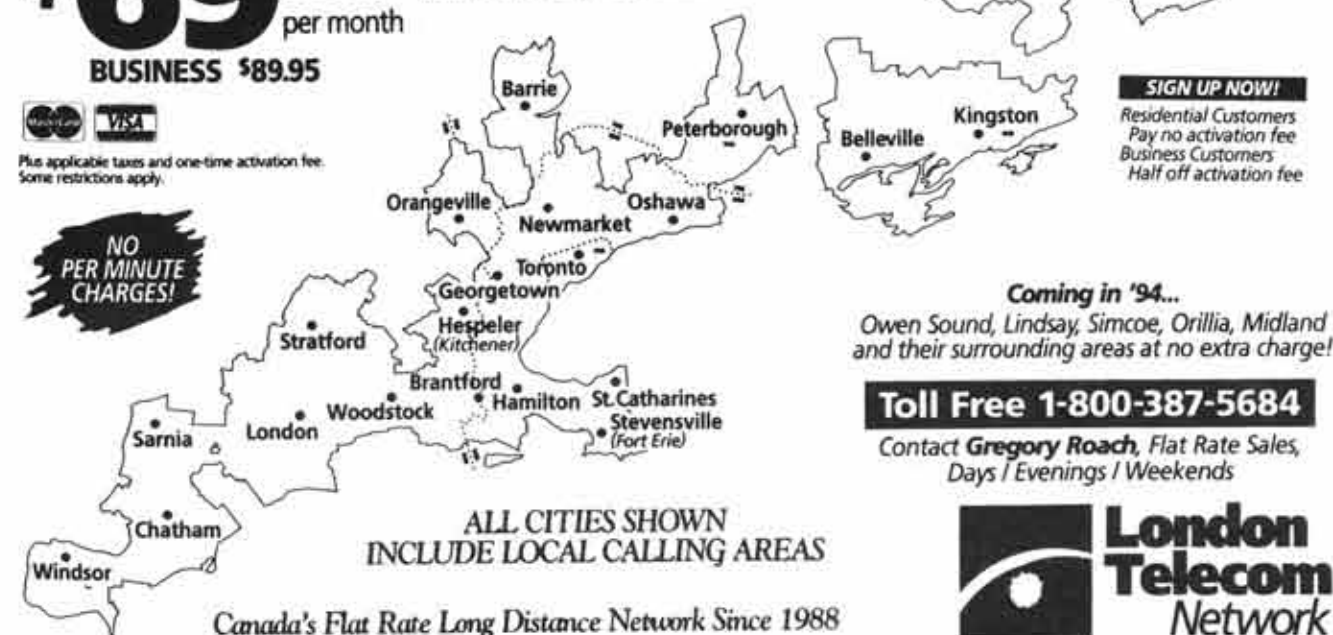
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# Looking for the wonder

## HIPPOPOSTHUMOUS BEATING A DEAD HORSE

D.H. KERTH

Welcome to the Cord's new column on religion! Check your preconceptions at the door and put your feet up.

This column is home to a variety of religious opinions, and a haven for the open-minded.

Nobody is out to get any body here, and the doors are always unlocked. (That means, intelligent people with a valid point to make are welcome to contribute.)

Friends.

You know what they're like sometimes. They can ramble incessantly and you don't

tell them to shut up (as you would a stranger), because you feel obliged to listen to them.

This happened last Saturday as Greg, whom I've known since grade five, hijacked fifteen minutes of my life to explain the marvels of the "information superhighway" and how it will benefit humanity.

Within thirty seconds, I had abandoned cyberspace in favour of neurospace.

Where has the wonder gone, I thought. Time was, you could get all the information you needed from your village priest. Now look.

The air is thick with information. Today, even the least educated person in this society is swimming in a deluge of sober facts. We've been forced to accept the loss of our personalities (gene mapping), the loss of our divine descent (theory of evolution), and the loss of our special status in the universe (deep-sky astronomy).

I decided that to set such facts aside in favour of faith is nothing short of blind ignorance. There is no longer room for the wonder and reverence that are the heart of spirituality.

Numbled by despair, I returned my attention briefly to Greg, who was comparing Pentium processors to the computers on Star Trek. Enlivened by the mention of my favourite feel-good program, my mind cheerfully re-entered neurospace.

After five minutes of re-casting the show with comic-strip characters (Linus would be Data), a connection emerged between my earlier observations and the topic I now entertained.

What's the big thing about Star Trek? Sure, it has exploration, adventure, cleavage—all the fixin's for great sci-fi TV. But the big thing for me has always been the aliens.

The major aliens in Star Trek all represent

human traits: the Vulcans are reason, the Klingons are aggression, Ferengi are greed, et cetera.

By vesting these non-human attributes in the form of non-human beings, the show presents us in a wider perspective: as "the other".

This practice of conceptualizing "the other" in terms of human traits has been the very heart of religion and superstition since the dawn of spirituality.

This era does have some wonder to offer—you just have to look a little harder. Despite how banal and clinical life gets people still manage to address the essential need for something beyond themselves.

How anyone can talk for fifteen minutes about computer networks, for instance, is beyond me.

By the way, the opinions expressed above are not necessarily those of the Cord, Gene Roddenberry, or anyone else I know.

## WARNING

## Inqueeries

by Gary van Lingen

Yes folks, it is time once again for a controversial column to show up in your beloved (or soon to be beloved) Cord once again. This one is about being gay, lesbian or bisexual in this world at this particular time and institution. My purpose is to provide a little insight into what is going on in the

## Controversial content

WLU community with regards to the lesbian/gay community as well as personal insights by me or by other people as the topic requires. Most of this insight will be to show what it is from our perspective with some remainder being critical analysis of contemporary events and the rest of it would be best classified as shit disturbing or shock therapy. Of course, I expect that this column will not be to the likings of some people, but they are not the people whom I am writing for.

Some of this column will be for community stuff as well. For example, these two points which I want to make now so that

those readers who have the need of the information, it's here.

First; Queer bashing, verbal harassment and any other attack upon any student, staff or faculty at this university by reason of sexual orientation is explicitly forbidden under the Sexual Harassment policy. This applies to everyone equally and all members of the university community are required to adhere to said policy. This means we don't have to take any shit from anyone while we are here. If you have problems, approach someone you trust (be it your Don, security personnel, a professor, or the Sexual Harassment Officers).

Nip the problem in the bud while you have the chance. If you don't feel that this is possible, at least find someone sympathetic to your situation...which brings me to my next point.

Second; While the student gay/lesbian/bi group here may be next to non-existent, unless you want to help keep it going, the group at Uof W is more active and can offer an opportunity to find release from pressures here.

They maintain a peer line 884-4569 and it is staffed from 7:30 - 9:30 on weekday nights. It may be sporadic during the first few weeks of school until volunteers are found and trained, but the taped message has information about local places if you need help.

So here's hoping we have a wonderful year together, and that someone learns something from our collective ramblings.



MARY ANN CLARKE

That's right! We want you - in sickness and in health. Why? Because the staff in H.S. is always ready, willing and able to be there for you, our students.

Many first year students are away from home for the first time. University life can be scary - all these new faces, a new bed, new routines, you don't know where you're going or what's expected of you. It can be an overwhelming experience.

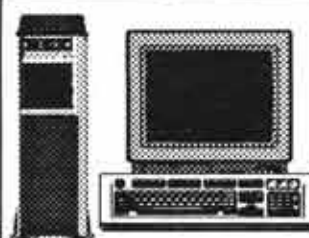
As you begin your new independence and responsibilities at university, you may find the medical system intimidating. Believe it or not, some students find the whole idea of going to a doctor frightening. We'd like to eliminate that. Your secretaries, nurses and doctors are here to help guide you through the health care system, so you can obtain the utmost in health care.

Our location in the Student Services Building is not easy to find so start providing around campus. When the time comes throughout the year when you need us, you'll know where we are.

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# Truly special Olympics



**GREG SLOAN**

With the baseball strike in August sports fans were searching for something, anything, to fill the void until the NFL football season started. There was the C.F.L., but the fast paced action threatened to give baseball fans, used to about ten seconds of action in a three hour game, cardiac arrest.

The World Championship of Basketball tried valiantly to keep the strike off of the minds of sports fans. However, seeing the U.S. team destroy the squad from China by over 50 points was about as exciting as watching re-runs of the Partridge Family. The clashing of Dream Team II's egos was far more exciting than most of their matches.

So what were fans desperate for sports action to do? There were those who, with no where else to turn, sweat covered and delirious, resorted to the last option left to them. It gave these sport junkies a quick fix, but they didn't feel good about it in the morning. Some were even ashamed to show their faces around the office for days. They wanted no one to know their shame. They had actually watched network coverage of a golf tournament. And enjoyed it.

Well, sports fans in my neck of the woods did have a respite from the vast emptiness of the August sports schedule. One bright Sunday afternoon Kent County residents were invited to the Ridgetown (pop 3300) Fair, where they could enjoy the familiar objects such as Cotton Candy and the Tilt-a-Whirl. However, this Sunday afternoon promised something a little more special. The annual Farm Olympics.

Now these Olympics might not have had the funding of an event like the Goodwill Games, but at least the pool water here was not a bright shade of pea green. Actually, there was no pool. There was a large water tank meant for the horse show being held next door, but more on that a little later.

My team, the Corn dogs, battled three

others for the title. Now, our team had one objective as we started the competition: don't finish last. That mission priority seemed in jeopardy after the first two events. The first was the bale toss, with four big hulking men throwing a straw bale over a high jump pole. Our team representative for this event, Mark, was actually from Toronto and had never touched straw before in his life, let alone thrown a bale of it. However, for the love of his girlfriend, and to gain a fragment of macho pride, he allowed himself be talked into competing. He did well, finishing third. One event down, and we weren't in last.

However, the nail relay soon rectified this. Five nails were in place on a log, and the team must hammer these in while racing the clock. There being only one hammer meant that the person before you had to be done before you could start wailing away. Our team was doing okay until we seemed to hit a black hole, sucking up seconds at a fast rate. Actually, it was only me, missing the nail and hitting the wood at a high frequency.

When I finally did get a good hit on the nail, it folded over like a house of cards. I began to wilt under the pressure. Now I knew how a basketball player felt at the free throw line. A quarter-back at fourth and

inches. All eyes were on me, and I choked under the intense scrutiny. We finished last in the event.

We managed to redeem ourselves in the next three events, taking first, second and third place, respectively. We then surprised everyone with a second place finish in the tug o'war. Now with one event to go we were only one point out of first place. This was the mystery event, which turned out to be an elaborate game of bean bag toss. The designated thrower hurled sponges over the high jump pole and into tomato baskets that were tied to the backs of the rest of the team members. Besides getting wet and muddy we also managed to win the even quiet handily, setting up a sudden death tie breaker between us and the defending champions, Outstanding In Our Field.

This brings us back to the huge water tank meant for the horses. The two teams were to go head to head, seeing who could fill up a garbage can with more water. The H2O was scooped out of the water tank with a bucket with holes in it, dumped into a

wheel barrow, and pushed over a ramp into the barrel.

I was chosen to be the man who scooped the water, so I took off my shoes and socks and jumped into the tank. Now that was refreshing. The water had only been sitting there all weekend, stagnating in the hot sun. It felt really great when the guy I was in the tank with dumped his water bucket on my head. I had to remind myself that, as much as it felt like it, this was not Lake Ontario. After all, there was no beer cans or used syringes floating by.

We won, despite having a hole in our garbage can. We were ecstatic. From out of nowhere we had come from behind to beat the defending champs. We filed onto the stage to collect our booty, which was a hundred dollars, a trophy, and medals. For a brief moment I imagined I was Luke Skywalker, fresh from destroying the death star and being given the highest reward in the galaxy by the beautiful princess whom I

love and don't yet realize is my sister. I snapped back to reality, and it was a two hundred plus burly farm boy, and not the sultry Leia, who was handing me the trophy. We posed for one picture (the photographer, obviously prepared, had only two pictures left on her film).

The only thing that darkened an otherwise bright moment was one of the other competitors telling me he had urinated in the water tank before the Farm Olympics began. True or not, looking at the guy, it planted an image in my mind that frightened me to the core.

So sports fans, take heart. Baseball or no baseball, there were ways to keep yourself amused during the dog days of summer. You may not consider egg tossing or tug o' war a real sport, but at least the Farm Olympics weren't being paid a few million to chew tobacco and scratch themselves. Most would have done it for free. And that's the view from the farm for this week.



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# The other sexual assault

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CORD OPINION

How are first-year students vulnerable? In many ways. For most, it's your first time away from home, and all the security that implies: your parents, friends, things you know and trust...it's easy to see how you might wind up feeling somewhat isolated, and lost. And it's adding to insult to injury to watch other frosh who seem to pick up friends like a cheap suit picks up lint. "What's wrong with me?" you wonder. "I must be the only one like this. No one understands....."

I'm thinking about my own experience last year as a first-year student. If the university awarded cash prizes for the most night-marish first-year imaginable, I wouldn't have to worry about tuition fees.

No, I wasn't physically raped. I didn't get sucked into a physically-abusive relationship, either. I'd heard endless warnings about all that, and thought that I was safe - even though I was a virgin who'd never even so much as held hands with a guy. So what did happen to me? I was mind-fucked.

To some, that term might seem vague, unfamiliar, like the name of a just-discovered disease. Well trust me, what you don't know most definitely *can* hurt you, and you need a lot more than a condom to protect yourself.

I realize that young, inexperienced women aren't the only ones who can be subjected to this form of mental rape. It can happen to men, too, under different circumstances. But for this piece, I choose to describe it from the female point of view, based on my own experience plus the perspectives of other women I know.

How does a mindfucker operate? Simple. He figures out what you want and need and pretends he can provide it. The one who

went after me (I'll call him Dick) took full advantage of my loneliness, plus my fear of being used and abused. One line he fed me:

"No, I do not want you to sleep with me because you feel obligated, but because you really want to. Now, if I were like *other* guys, I could be saying yes, feel obligated, but I'm not."

He knew that women today are far less likely to put up with being pressured into having sex. Lines like "if you really loved me, you'd do it" just don't work any more. They're too obvious. And it's much easier to say no to an obvious request. But by saying that I was under no obligation to have sex, Dick just made me feel more obligated—convincing me I was being well-treated by constantly reminding me of the fact. Now however, I realize that a truly considerate person doesn't need to brag about it. Something else Dick said along the same lines:

"Any other guy would be raping the hell out of you."

Can you say guilt-trip? Strange...I thought that it was a woman's right not to be date-raped, not a privilege. I shouldn't have had to be grateful to a man for not hurting me. When I confronted Dick about just being out to "do a virgin", he replied:

"Do you know how many virgins there are on campus? If I wanted to, I could easily pick one up at the Turret, or Wilf's.."

Right. I suppose he fancied himself the consummate stud, with virgins from all over lining up to be serviced. Well, where's the *challenge* in "doing a virgin" who's out to lose it anyway? That's no fun. Someone like Dick would much rather have the satisfaction of slowly breaking down your resistance, willpower and strength. Like this line he used to justify sexual acts:

"It's my way of showing you that I care about you."

Wish I hadn't fallen for it. There is more to being used sexually than intercourse - like preserving technical virginity while doing everything in-between. Though this behavior seemed safe, it was later used against me:

"You're not a virgin anymore. You know too much."

In other words, I'd done so much already, so why not "go all the way"? Be wary of this ploy and also of the fact that non-intercourse activities such as performing oral sex (one point at which I did draw the line) can also transmit disease. Still, Dick's ultimate goal was the ultimate act:

"If you would sleep with me, I would be honoured!"

Yes, I know, that line in print seems so cheesy and manipulative that even the most naive woman can see right through it. But there's a big difference between reading something and having it said to your face, with all the sweet, sincere glances and tone of voice. And since it is such a nice thing to believe, I almost did, against my better judgment. Like Dick's other let's-go-all-the-way classic:

"But that's something I want to *share* with you."

Share what, I wanted to know. Even worse than that one:

"If you would lose your virginity with me, I will treat it with the honour and respect it deserves."

Anybody can say anything to get what they want, but that does not make it so. Like this other Dick declaration:

"I worship women."

Indeed. Beware of the man who pretends to be a "feminist." The only parts of the movement which appealed to Dick were those that granted a woman the right to be sexually free (translation: open for business) and financially independent (translation:

able to sponged off of).

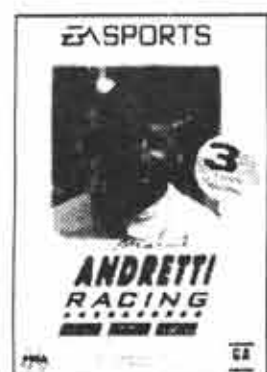
Also beware of the old "I'm-not-worthy" waltz. Dick often bemoaned his lowly status, went on lengthy pity trips, and spoke of being "unworthy" of love. These sob-stories, I later realized, were simply shallow and manipulative attempts to win my sympathy and make me feel obliged to "rescue" a poor lost soul.

But perhaps the best description of Dick's type appeared in the April 1992 issue of Glamour magazine, where a sophisticated, experienced woman described similar experiences of her own, and quoted a male friend speaking of a "Dick" she knew:

"He knows exactly what women want—no sleazy pick-up lines, nothing obvious. He always makes the initial contact seem accidental, and he comes on kind of shy. He's a great listener, and he's big on eye contact. He'll brush against a woman's hand and pull back quickly, say excuse me, but look in her eyes as if, to his surprise, he was deeply affected by the touch. And he's big on the heartfelt confession—'I've never felt this way before,' 'I've never met anyone like you.' Can you blame the women for thinking something special is happening?"

Think about it: honest and genuine men could never put on such a smooth and polished act. No man can automatically know all the right lines if he hasn't honed it down to an empty performance. He is, as a friend of mine said, "just out to fulfill his fantasies of being Prince Charming." And some, like Dick, are so good that they even manage to deceive themselves. But that doesn't mean they have to succeed with you.

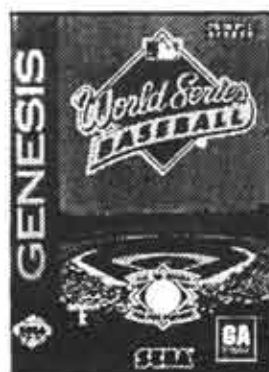
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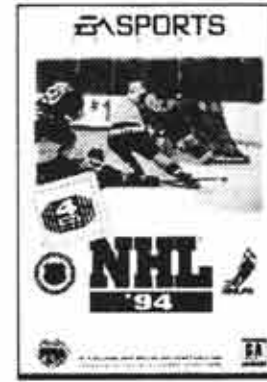
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# Football Hawks give back to community

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The 1994 football season is one of firsts for the Golden Hawks. The first season of artificial turf at Seagram Stadium. The first season for new Head Coach Rick Zmich. Lastly, it is the first season of a new venture with the Big Brothers Association of Kitchener-Waterloo Inc..

The Hawks will host about six special events a year for boys waiting for a Big Brother and individual players will also participate in other association events. It's the kinder, gentler Golden Hawks.

Quarterback Bill Kubas heads the group of ten players who have been formally screened and approved by the association as supervisors for events. At an August 23rd press conference to announce the new program, Kubas expressed his desire to fill a void in the young boys' lives through involvement with Big Brothers. With two younger brothers of his own, the Laurier co-captain figures he has plenty of helpful experience.

Coach Zmich, who approached Big Brothers about getting his team involved, says the team's involvement with the association is an expression of two commitments Laurier makes - to help its students develop as whole, rounded persons and to be active in the community.

Irene Caul, executive director of the local Big Brothers organization, points out that Hawk players are ideal Big Brothers not only because the boys look up to them as heroes, but because they are university students. Getting a solid education is one of the key things that the association encourages in the lives of the Little Brothers.

As the team and the association launched the beneficial new program, one thing was clear. With Kubas and teammates in the fold, the term "Big" Brothers is much more literal than it used to be.

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Football players Bill Kubas and Stefan Ptaszek get acquainted with three of their new Little Brothers.

## Hawks ready to soar!

### Laurier's Men's Varsity season about to kick off

PETE ROBINSON  
CORD SPORTS

The coming of the new school year brings with it the inevitable start to a season of varsity sports at WLU. The football Hawks will have training camp in full swing by Labour Day weekend, with the basketball and hockey teams are starting shortly thereafter.

The football program will be entering its first season with Rick Zmich at the helm. The offensive wizard summed up the status of his new team stating that they "will definitely be entering a new era".

That new era is a result of the fact that long-time head coach Rich Newbrough has stepped down, handing the reins over to his former assistant.

Also, the Hawks are entering a period with noticeably younger players on their roster. The younger lineup is a result of players graduating while some have moved on to the Canadian Football League.

Zmich expects 70 to 80 per cent of his players to be first or second year, noting also that with some key people returning at important positions, he expects to have a good team. Those key people come in the

form of fifth year pivot Bill Kubas and fifth year offensive tackle Mark Ferguson. It also appears as though slotback Stefan Ptaszek will be back after an injury cut short his training camp with the B.C. Lions. The talented offensive unit also returns Peter Hwang, Brian Niemy and Zach Treanor. On the other side of the ball the Hawks expect to return linebackers Mike Cheevers and Gerry Smith. Those two along with lineman Paul Stoppenbrink should lead the Hawks defensive unit.

The rookie head coach also feels that he has assembled a quality recruiting class that in time could equal the banner year that he put together in 1993.

Zmich points out that "it's important not what rookies contribute in their first year but where they will stand a year from now". He added that he expects up to a dozen recruits to contribute during their stay at WLU.

As far as the football Hawks are concerned, the installation of turf at Seagram Stadium and the schedule that will see Laurier play there five times in '94 has Zmich excited about what the new year will bring.

After a heartbreaking season that saw his team lose several close games to some quality teams, Men's Basketball coach Gary Jefferies expects his young team to be more competi-

tive in the upcoming year. A key addition to his lineup will be the arrival of local product Tony Weiss. After sitting out a year after attending Bryant College in Rhode Island, Weiss stands to inherit a starting guard position. Shawn Roach will return for his final season, and OUAA rookie of the year Peter Kratz will provide the Golden Hawks with a strong nucleus.

Two transfers, David Moore and Jim Toole will provide experience to a still very young lineup. Jefferies also expects in-house players Dan Pace and Rico Medeiros to push the starters for playing time.

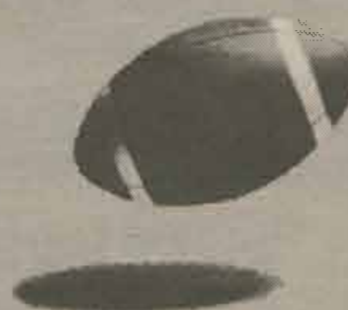
Coach Wayne Gowing's Men's Hockey team appears to be somewhat of an unknown at this point. The Hawks will

return their top line of Ryan Merritt, Chris George and John Spoltore, however, many questions remain. A number of players from last year's squad may not be returning in order to concentrate their efforts on their studies.

One area of concern is in net, where the Hawks have been victimized by some poor goaltending in their past two playoff runs. At this early stage, none of the netminders from the nineteen-win team of a year ago are expected to return.

Overall, the 1994-95 year at Wilfrid Laurier is sure to be an exciting one. Of course, all incoming frosh are encouraged to come FLY HIGH WITH THE HAWKS in the coming months and years. See you at the games.

## sportsBRIEF



### FOOTBALL SEASON OPENER

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The author.

## INGRID NIELSEN

CORD SPORTS

Twice in my life have I ever felt so ill. The first time involved an Asian flu, and the second an endless stream of tequilla shots.

But this time was different. This physical punishment is supposed to be good for me. It means I'm pushing my body to the max. Work it, baby. Work it. Ten more push ups, 20 more sit ups. Run it out.

I've started boxing.

Now the first question you are going to ask me is, "So have you hit anybody yet? Huh? Huh? Have ya?"

Popular question. I'll get to that

# Float like a butterfly...

later.

We walked to boxing the first night, not quite sure what to expect. Would Eye of the Tiger be filling the airwaves, with big, muscular power houses pounding the bag and sweat spraying across the room? Would they grab us and throw us in the ring that night, to face a super tall blonde with a menacing blue-eyed stare? My nose! Please don't break my nose!

Actually, we ended up walking into a church. The training sessions are held in a church auditorium in downtown Kitchener. The room is big, but there's no ring, or permanent bag. The few

guys that were already there were stretching or shooting a few hoops. I was relieved. I mean how nasty could they get in this guy's house?

That relief was held for a little while as we were greeted by the man we had spoken to on the phone. He smiled as he saw us quietly slip into the gym.

"Hi. I'm glad you two showed up," said Shawn.

A few words were mentioned about women in boxing. To tell the truth, I was really concerned about how I might be recieved in this setting. Would there be other girls? Do they think I'm just trying to pick up muscu-

seeking out?

"Flip over. 20 push ups."

Like I said, the guys are really good about having a woman in the crowd, so when I did women's push ups, no one said a word. What do you want? I am a woman. Yeah, yeah, I'm working on it.

After the sit ups and push ups, and more running, we got into a circle for stretches. This part was okay with me, but the pain was plainly visible on most of the guys faces. I just saw it as a wonderful escape from more running.

By this time, I was hot. And sweaty. Really sweaty. I mean I smelled. June was hitting us with it's full humidity, and the only air conditioning was a second-floor door propped open with an old wooden chair and my dripping body hanging out periodically.

Guess what? Then we started to skip!

You know those cute little girls skipping in the school yard for hours on end? Be afraid. They are actually Arnold Schwarzenegger in the making. Skipping is hard, bloody hard. First you have to master the co-ordination of actually turning the rope and jumping over it, without either stringing yourself up or slicing your shins off. This is much more difficult than it sounds.

Then there's the sheer endurance factor. We were skipping for 3 minutes on, and one minute off, for about 10 or 15 minutes. Rough, really rough.

That was the warm up. Now for the boxing.

I have been mostly learning foot-work in the few months I have been training. Boxing is not just a matter of going in and throwing punches. There really is technique, and strategy, and well...punches. But well-planned punches.

Being tall and lanky, my build is more of a "boxer" than a "puncher". That means more moving around and speed, rather than, deathly blows. Fine by me. Moving away from the punches. Got it.

So far I have learned a few combinations, such as a "one-two", jabs, and punches. I haven't been sparing yet so I haven't actually hit someone yet, and that's also fine by me. There is so much more to boxing and training, that I am kept more than busy without adding extra nose insurance to my policy.

The first time I put on wraps, that was cool. Wraps are long straps that you wrap around your hands to protect them when you punch. The trainer had decided I was ready. He started talking about moves I'll be learning like a "left hook" and a "right upper cut". Cool. Very cool.

"Hit my hand. Go ahead, punch it."

Hey, this isn't like pull my finger, is it? All in all, I love boxing, or at least training to box. So what I'm the only girl! I'm there to work. My father thinks it's a pretty good idea, except for the actual fighting part. My mother doesn't quite acknowledge my new interest,

and my best friend's mother has decided that, "yes, that girl is truly weird." My girlfriends all tell me that I'm a real woman of the nineties, and my boyfriend seems to find it sexy. As for myself, well, I'm quite proud.

Not that I'm learning to hit someone. I really don't care if I ever actually fight. Boxing has given me a new confidence, not only physically, but mentally. Just so long as I continue to work out and enjoy my new sport, the tighter thighs and a mean left-hook are only added bonuses.

However, I don't recommend budding in front of me in Wilf's food line. I may have to get nasty.

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# Lockout looming

## NHL trying to avoid baseball's fate

**ROB BRENNAN**  
CORD SPORTS

With Labour Day weekend having come and gone, it must be time for NHL training camps to open. But will there be a season? For the millions of hockey fans all over North America, the weeks of negotiations between the National Hockey League and its Players Association have yet to provide an answer for that question.

As I recall, it was not that long ago that the NHL was a great form of entertainment. It featured hard-hitting body checks, priceless goals, and great rivalries. Unfortunately, the only ones duking it out so far this season are the players and their employers. Not surprisingly, the main issues in this disagreement deal with salary caps, revenue sharing, and free agency.

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman and the team owners have made the salary cap, or some form of one, a top priority. What they are looking for is a mechanism that will control the base earnings that a rookie can ask for in his first pro season. Gee...how terrible. Salary caps should have been mandatory long ago when salaries began to escalate sharply to the present level, one that sees first year NHLers command ridiculous sums of money.

Need a recent example? How about the signing of Paul Kariya by those Mighty Ducks of Anaheim. Kariya, after a fourteen month holdout, inked a deal that will net him six and a half million bucks over three seasons. Wake up and smell the coffee people! Although wealthy teams like the Ducks can afford to shell out this kind of money, many teams cannot. Not every team is owned by a billion-dollar corporation like Walt Disney. For this reason alone, players must realize that some sort of salary cap must be implemented.

If both sides can clear the salary cap hurdle, the other issues should be settled easily. In fact, an agreement on revenue sharing is likely to be part of any sort of agreement on the implementation of a salary cap. Basically, the owners want to link player salaries to league revenues to ensure that the teams do not end up paying their players all the money that they are taking in. Fair enough.

As far as free agency goes, this is where the owners are going to have to give a little. The current system is a mess. The main problem is with the compensation system that allows teams who lose a player to free agency to demand a player off the roster of the team that signs one of their players.

You end up with a fiasco like the signing of Petr Nedved by the St. Louis Blues late last season. The Vancouver Canucks, Nedved's former team, demanded star goalie Curtis Joseph as compensation for the loss of Nedved. Not wanting to lose their stopper in net, the Blues offered their number one centre, Craig Janney. See the problem here? What good is it being a free agent if a team has to give up one of their best players to sign you? Not much good at all.

So while training camps are open, the players are able to play and the public can expect to view some exhibition games during the pre-season.

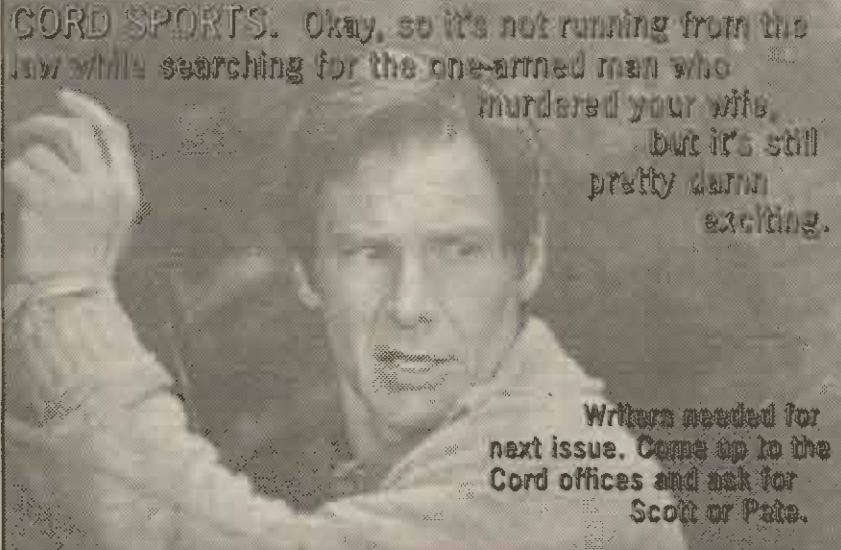
For the time being, hockey will continue as usual. However, if things are not settled by the October 1st deadline, there will likely be a work stoppage (sound familiar?). A lockout was avoided when

Gary Bettman decided negotiations were promising enough to allow training camps to open. Perhaps now it is time for the NHLPA to give a little in return.

Still, the question looms. Is there any hope in sight? With talks scheduled to continue, the two sides should be able to come to terms on most of the big issues, allowing the season to continue unhindered.

One would think both sides will be working hard to avoid a situation similar to that of major league baseball. Considering the recent efforts to increase the popularity of the NHL throughout North America, and the desire to strike a major television deal in the States, the league has reached a crucial point where a lockout could prove disastrous. Hopefully the league and its players will think about that.

**CORD SPORTS.** Okay, so it's not running from the law while searching for the one-armed man who murdered your wife, but it's still pretty damn exciting.



Writers needed for next issue. Come up to the Cord offices and ask for Scott or Pete.

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**SCOTT STINSON**  
CORD SPORTS

It's becoming quite familiar. Major League Baseball Players Association Executive Director Donald Fehr says they are still busily trying to come up with a solution. Major League Baseball Owners Representative Richard Ravitch

(who Fehr not so subtly refers to as "Dick") stresses that they are actively trying to come up with some sort of solution to the current labour impasse. Here's a solution for you, boys.

First, fire all the players. These guys obviously don't appreciate the fact that there is no possible better job than major league baseball player. The average salary is 1.2 million dollars per season. To play baseball. Great money, easy job. Quit bitching.

Second, replace fired players with assorted slo-pitch and little league squads. For a million bucks, I'm sure teams like Ed's Lube and Laundry, Luann's Fresh Flowers, and Big Al's Chicken Pit would agree to a salary cap right quick.

Third, give fired players real jobs. Ken Griffey Jr., you can work drive-thru at Taco Bell for five bucks an hour. Jose Canseco, you're a natural to drive a cab. Tell Frank Thomas that Big Al has an opening for fry cook down at the Chicken Pit.

Give it about five days, maybe a week. The players will be begging for a salary cap.

Okay, maybe my solution is a tad drastic. Still, I can't help but get angry every time I hear these players complain. Toronto Blue Jay Dave Stewart said in his newspaper column that the strike was "about keeping the rights of the players and letting everyone flourish instead of giving the players a small portion of the profit". This is the same Dave Stewart who has been paid four million dollars this season to give up moonshot homers every time he

pitched. Obviously, Dave and I have very different definitions of "small profit".

Consider that in 1987 the average salary was \$410,732. In seven years, it has almost tripled. Yet, the players say that under no circumstances will they accept a salary cap. Why the hell not? I think it's fair to say that the scales have

been balanced. Over fifty per cent of team revenues are going back to the players in wages. This is a small profit?

I've heard it argued that the owners are asking too much. After all, the Baltimore Orioles were purchased last year for over \$170 million so the owners can't be that hurting. That logic escapes me. If it costs \$170 million to invest in a team, shouldn't the owners expect to make a tidy profit? Players point to the fact that only a handful of teams lose money as an indicator that the owners don't need a better deal, but they fail to realize that people don't make investments upwards of a hundred million bucks just so they can break even. They have the right to make a good profit.

I've heard players say that they consider baseball their "job", that we as fans are being unfair by saying all they have to do is play a game. Fine. It's a job. How many jobs are there where all the revenue goes back to the employees? Not many.

Meanwhile, ball players make all sorts of extra money by wearing certain gloves and swinging certain bats, and by charging five bucks an autograph at card shows. Yet they cry poor. Right. And all that plastic surgery has made Roseanne really attractive.

As an abrupt end to the 1994 baseball season looms near, I hope the players remember one thing. Barry Bonds is the highest paid player in the league at an average of \$7.16 million per year. Bonds' 1987 salary? A cool \$100,000. Something tells me you won't get a 1,000 per cent annual wage increase down at the Chicken Pit.

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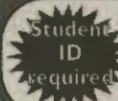
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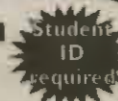
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# NFL Q&A

**MIKE STE. MARIE**  
CORD SPORTS

As the school year resumes once again, it becomes time for the weekly Sunday afternoon Veg-a-thon. Yes, it's National Football League season number seventy-five. Brush up on the FOX Network, it's not just for 90210 anymore. Every new season tends to have a number of looming questions, this one being no exception. Allow me to answer a few.

### 1. Are the business tactics of the Cleveland Browns any better?

You wouldn't think they could get much worse. When we last checked, they were releasing their best-ever quarterback, Bernie Kosar, three days after signing him to a two million dollar contract. Undaunted, the Browns topped that move by letting half their starting linebackers leave via free agency and by giving a contract extension to Bill Belichick, the coach who has piloted the team to three straight losing seasons. Wait, there's more. How about getting the faded Mark Rypien to back up Mr. Inconsistency Vinny Testaverde? Done. Smart move.

### 2. Where have all the quarterbacks gone, long time passing?

Ready? Erik Kramer from the Lions to the Bears, Warren Moon from the Oilers to the Vikings, Andre Ware from the Lions to the Vikings, Mark Rypien from the Redskins to the Browns, Scott Mitchell from the Dolphins to the Lions, Dave Krieg from the Chiefs to the Lions, Rodney Peete from the Lions to the Cowboys, Bernie Kosar from the Browns to the Dolphins, Jack Trudeau from the Colts to the Jets, Jim Harbaugh from the Bears to the Colts, Jeff George from the Colts to the Falcons, Jim (Chrissy?) Everett from the Rams to the Saints, Steve Bono from the 49ers to the Chiefs and Chris Miller from the Falcons to the Rams. Whew.

### 3. Can the Bills bounce back again?

After losing three of their regular cornerbacks in Nate Odomes, Kirby Jackson, and J.D. Williams, safety Mark Kelso, tight-end Keith McKeller and offensive lineman Howard Ballard, they are looking a tad thin. The Bills nucleus is getting old and they might not be able to get through the Annual Injury of Jim Kelly anymore. Expect a new AFC representative in the Show this year.

### 4. Will '93 doormats like the Bucs, Skins and Rams win some games?

Oh, sure. Three or four maybe. Between them. Especially if they play each other.

### 5. Is the new two point conversion a good thing?

It is a godsend. PATs have become so easy that they are anticlimactic, especially when a team is down by more than a point. The two point option can't help but make the game more exciting, provided the coaches won't be afraid to use it.

### 6. Which division is the strongest?

That would be the AFC West. Easily. The Raiders, Broncos, Seahawks, Chiefs, and Chargers could all have winning records. The only regret is that some of these teams won't make the playoffs.

### 7. Can the owners and players reach a collective bargaining agreement?

Just kidding. What do you think this is? Baseball?

### 8. Who do I wager my OSAP money on?

The six division winners are probably going to be Miami, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles (Raiders, of course), Dallas, Minnesota, and San Francisco. Wild Card playoff berths will go to Buffalo, Denver, Arizona, and New Orleans. Long shot possibilities are Seattle and Atlanta. Expect Pittsburgh over Buffalo in the AFC title game while Dallas beats up on San Francisco for the third straight year. Call it three for the Cowboys as they take the Super Bowl from the Steelers in a squeaker. You heard it here first.

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## POETRY

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Spit into this golden chalice,  
the holy cup of Sunday Mass.  
Let it out, let it out, let it out!  
Spit onto this floor mat.  
No, don't do that  
don't gag.  
Let it out, let it out, let it out!  
I'll put a finger down your throat.  
They'll come back, I know they float.  
Let it out, let it out, let it out!  
You killed them!  
You killed my sons  
You stupid vacuum cleaner.

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### The Birth of Travesty

We get high on it all the time, here.  
She stuck out her moist tongue, iridescent with the white and green  
of dawn's halitosis mucous, and inserted it into the electrical  
socket.  
She smiled when I plunged the fork into her Philosophy textbook.  
The smoked smell of bacon and the bleeding words of Nietzsche.  
Yeah.

### The Neighbour's Daughter

Take a step  
up my ladder  
and grab hold of the tree.  
Mind the nails  
while you regard my carpentry.  
The neighbour's daughter  
returns home at three.  
Until then the view is limited and there is little to see.  
She works late at a diner  
Serving pie and coffee to smoking old men  
Who say they are  
lonely.  
A dark car creeps by her  
As she turns  
the house key.  
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She undresses by the open window for me  
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It was not the normal crinkle of snow he felt under his walking feet. Today, it was different. He heard the snow scream.

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He stopped walking, and stood there in the field. It hurt too much to hear the screams and realize he was causing the snow to suffer.

He had nothing against the snow. No quarrels.

Pure, white innocence spread out around him. It was so pure, and so beautiful. *Beautiful*. Too beautiful to hurt. To cause pain.

He stood there for a long time.

Finally, the cold overtook his resolve. He continued walking.

The screaming started, again. At first, he thought it was in his head. Memories of the earlier screaming. But, no. This time, as last time, it was real. Too real.

it ran faster. The snow screamed louder. The cries matching him stride for stride. He tried leaping, to make less contact with the ground, but it quickly tired him.

Painfully, he trudged through the wailing snow.

*Stop it, he cried. Leave me alone! Stop it.*

His footing slipped as he left the field and planted his right leg on the side walk. He caught his balance before falling, and continued his way to school.

There were no children in the playground. They had all gone inside. He was late.

The empty hall ways were a cold refuge from the outside weather. He turned right, then left, then right again. He paused outside his closed classroom door to remove his gloves before knocking.

His teacher answered the door. She held it open just enough to squeeze her frame in the doorway.

"Why are we late, today?" she asked him with a pseudo-sarcastic grin.

She would not allow him in without an explanation. He was trapped between her intrusive body and the memory of the screaming snow outside.

"I want to come in," he said. "The snow is screaming. I want to come in, *now*."

## NSK PAGE WORD PUZZLE

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5. Nixon's resting place in California
- #6. "I am not a number, I am a free man" -  
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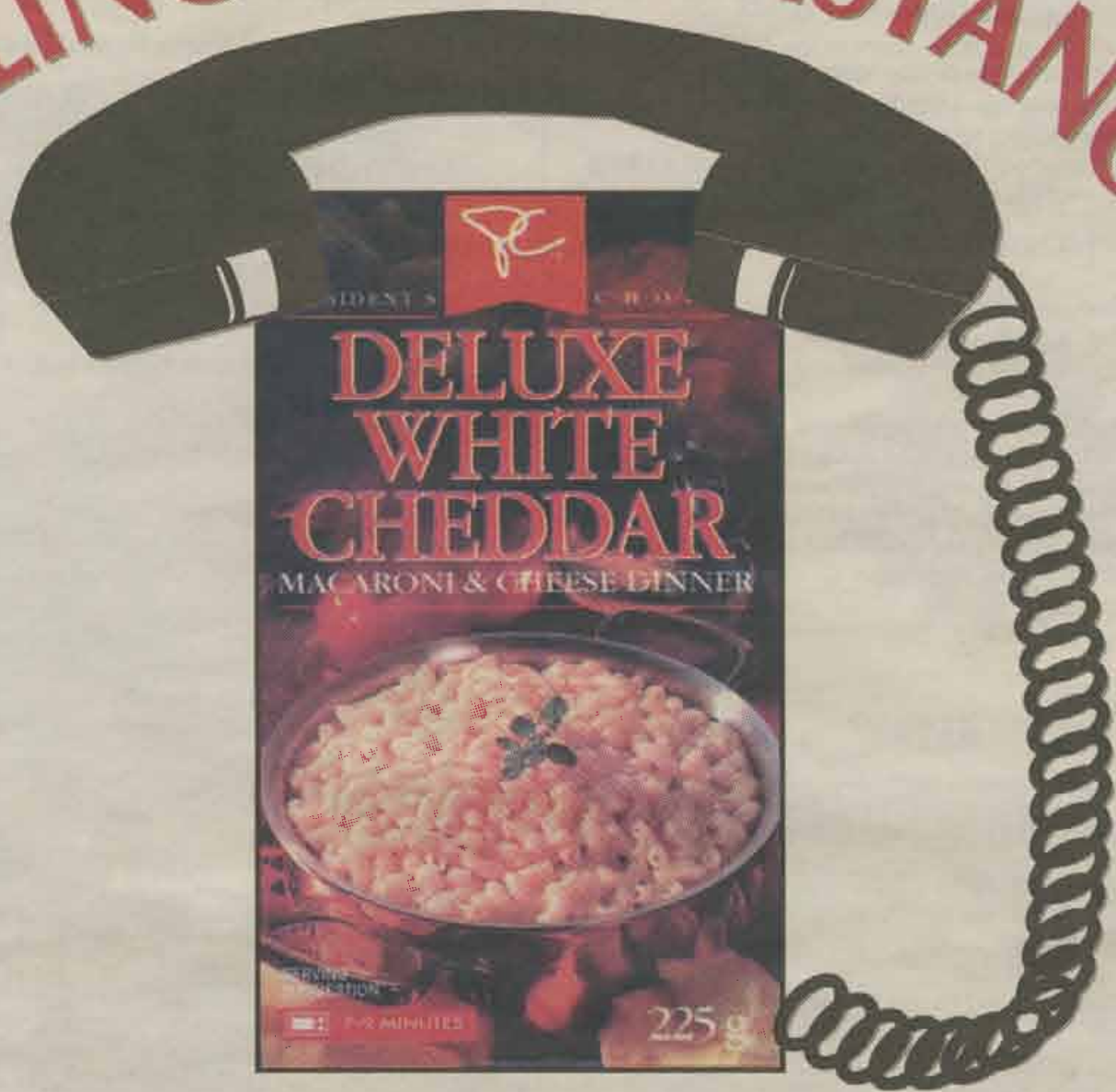
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# Sara McLachlan In her element

INGRID NIELSEN  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

Looking down into the quarry, the subtle pink and green lighting added a subtle glow to the natural beauty of Elora. From the depths, floated the beautiful voice of Sarah McLachlan.

On July 27, McLachlan came to perform in the Elora Quarry as part of this summer's Elora Festival. The festival also hosted other performances such as Michael Burgess.

In the past, McLachlan has had her music labeled as "glib" and "glossy" by critics. I don't know which McLachlan music they are talking about, but they obviously did not hear her voice floating up to a star-covered sky and an awe-struck crowd. Her voice was rich, and her music was captivating. The whole setting came off as rather haunting.

The mechanics involved with pulling off a concert in the Gorge were understandably difficult. Just so you can picture it, McLachlan was actually on a raft on the water. She had to be taken to the floating stage by a chauffeured boat.

The spectators were mostly up top, looking down from the edge of the quarry. In other words, McLachlan was about five centimetres tall to the average viewer. While this was a slight drawback, most of the people who came out were more there to hear the voice than to gawk at the performer.

Being a small stage, there was no room for fancy electronic equipment along with her six-piece band, so the show was mostly made up of more acoustic songs. She performed songs from "Fumbling Towards Ecstasy" as well as previous albums "Solace" and "Touch", the highlight being Sarah closing the night by performing the piano version of "Possession" alone on the stage.

Newcomer **Stephen Fearing** opened the set off with a passionate and high-energy set of solo music with acoustic guitar. An excellent and unique singer and musician, Fearing is someone who is definitely up and coming.

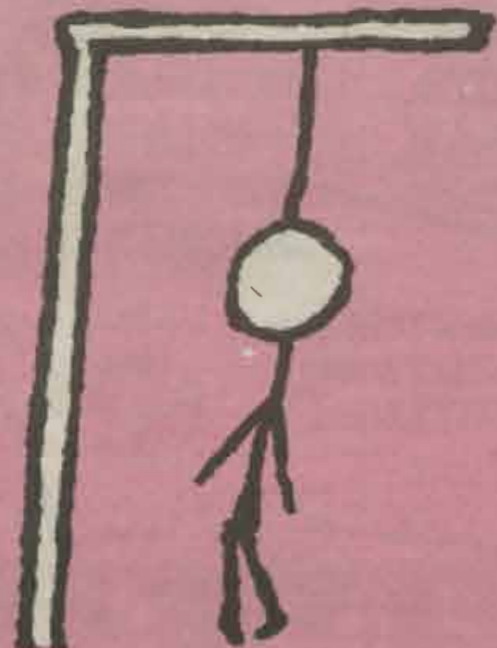
As for Sarah, her stage persona came across as natural and intelligent. While she does seem slightly self-conscious, almost shy, this is a really nice change from the usual self-important, pompous windbags.

Being on a raft, the great question for me was, "how is she going to pull off an encore?" It's not like she could go backstage, and come back on. Instead they just turned all the lights off, and pretended like they were packing up. I say "pretend", because from the way the crowd was hootin' and hollerin', you knew the show was not over yet.

As someone who is new to McLachlan's music, I was truly impressed. If that makes me "glib" or "glossy", so be it.

PICTURE: DAVE SCOTT

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# Gimme some sugar, baby



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A&M recording artists **Big Sugar** are the latest Canadian band on the verge of becoming wildly famous. Their recent show at the Volcano in Kitchener served notice of the band's potential. They delivered an electrifying performance of accomplished musicianship.

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fine "Wild Ox Moan", Gordie and the lads made it well worth staying for both sets. Such gifted, musical guitar playing really has to be seen and heard to be believed.

On "Five Hundred Pounds", Gordie Johnson played almost everything except drums, as well as co-producing the record with Kitchener native Pete Prilesnik. Since recording the last album, **Big Sugar** have acquired a new drummer and bass player. This facelifted lineup are set to tour Eastern Canada and the US this fall. **Big Sugar** are going back into the recording studio in a couple of months to work on a new album, which Johnson says will be "along the same lines as 'Five Hundred Pounds'."

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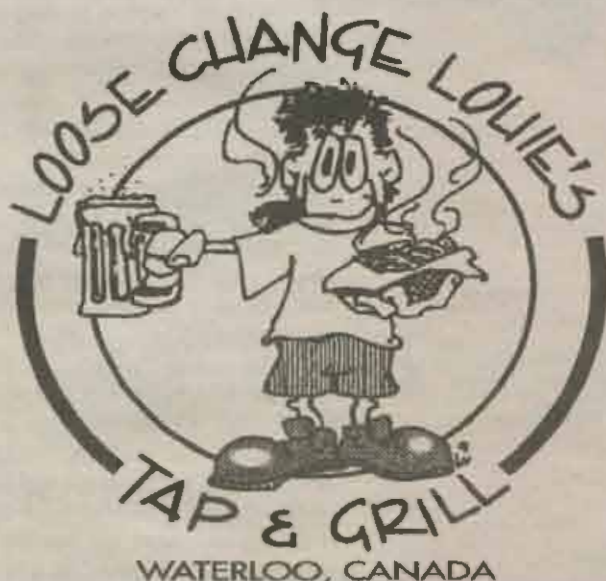
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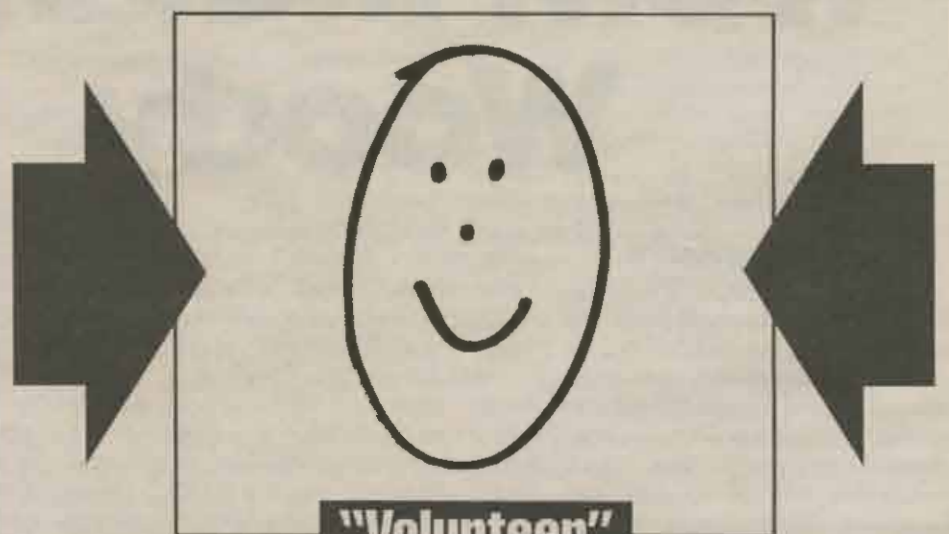
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# It's a long way from Indiana, Woody

**DARREN MAHAFFY**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

I wouldn't normally take a date to see a film like *Natural Born Killers* but we didn't have time to wait until 10:20 when *Clear and Present Danger* was starting. I certainly would not recommend this movie for the faint of heart but for those who appreciate the cool cinematography of Oliver Stone this is a must see.

The plot is fairly simple. Two deranged lovers, Micky (Woody Harrelson) and Mallory (Juliette Lewis), go on a cross country spree of killing and maiming.

In the very first scene Micky and Mallory enter a roadside cafe to order some food. As Mallory dances to some jukebox tunes one of the locals starts hitting on her. Mallory beats the crap out of him. By the end of the

scene the two of them have killed (using various methods: guns, beating, knives) four people and scared the living daylights out of the last guy.

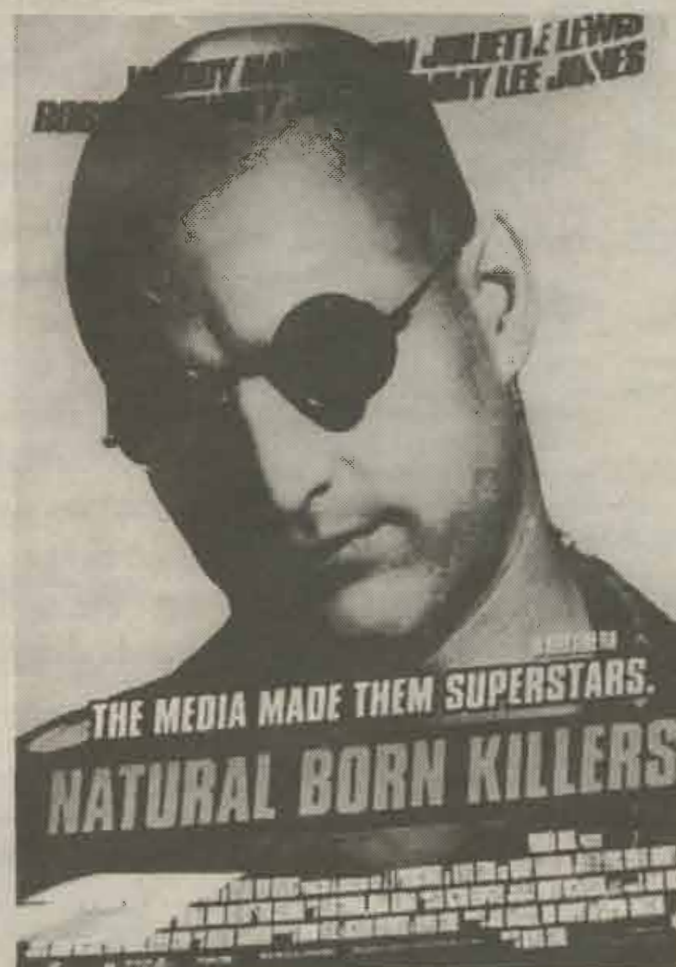
Over the course of their cross country spree they kill 52 people, only one of which they regret. Upon their arrest the media turn them into heroes. One teen says that if they could be a serial killer they would be Micky...not that serial killing is a good thing...Micky is just cool.

As a sub-plot, Robert Downey Jr. plays the host of a 1/2 hour show about American serial killers (modeled after *A Current Affair* et al.). He does show after show on the two culminating in a post-Super Bowl interview with Micky about his "ability". The interview takes place in the prison where Micky and Mallory are being held. During the course of the

interview the prisoners riot giving Micky and Mallory the chance they need to be re-united.

Stone uses various cinematic effects to create mood for the film. The scenes change from black and white to red tinted colour to full colour. He uses real time and slow motion, studio and non-studio set design, and some truly bizarre imagery that will lead you to question old Oliver's sanity.

*Natural Born Killers* is destined to become a classic, but see it in the theater to truly appreciate the strange nature of Oliver Stone because even CITY-TV will show an edited version of this one.



## Roadtrip to hell

**BRENT LANTHIER**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

"Come on, BIG MONEY!!" Gambling is the work of the Devil. I'm not a religious man, but I know this above statement to be true. In my many pilgrimages to the farthest southwest corner of Ontario, I have come to the conclusion that Windsor and Detroit are the Sodom and Gomorrah of North America. The place reeks of evil and the grand altar of this evil is the Windsor casino, that Satanic brainchild of Bob Rae and the evil army of the NDP.

So when a group of my friends decided that they wanted to go on a roadtrip to Windsor, I knew that we were damned and I could only shudder in fear. I mean, we were even more stupid in that we drove 3 hours to line up to spend our money. And it's not like the place is classy. It has all the charm of the Networld combined with the ambience of a bingo hall, of which there are several in Windsor and which I had the opportunity to attend.

I noticed when I walked in that the prevailing fashion statement was pea-green spandex combined with what appeared to be someone's grandmother's curtains fashioned into some form of robe. With the second-hand smoke of a thousand cigarettes permeating my respiratory membrane, I left screaming silently to myself.

Another thing you will notice about Windsor (the City of Roses? That's got to be the most glowing example of sarcasm I have ever seen.): the abundance of licensed establishments. You can't walk downtown 5 feet without running across one. This could probably be explained by the proximity to the United States with their higher age of majority sending university students running across the Ambassador Bridge by the scads. Which is nice to see as hundreds of intoxicated co-eds cheered happily to USA beating Columbia in World Cup Soccer (at least on the day I was there.)

So with this closeness to the American Dream comes the prolific dispersement of another type of bar in Windsor: the NUDIE BAR!!! You see, in the good ol' U.S. of A., the, um, girls, can only remove, uh, well... they can only go topless. Not so in this great white bastion of law, order and decency. Not only can they get as naked as Dian Parkinson behind the Plinko board ("No Bob, I don't want to come on down!") but they can do it while practically sitting in your lap! This would explain the large influx of male American college students to these artistic showings.

In the war of 1812, the fort that was situated at Windsor helped defend Canadian shores from being overrun by the Americans. I think that now, in 1994, the Americans are finally winning the battle and infiltrating us in far more insidious fashion.

### We must correct ourselves.....

We regret that in our previous issue on July 12, we printed the following two mistakes;

1. The correct phone number for HMV is 746-8465
2. Chameleon's correct address is 255 King Street N., Unit #10.

Our sincere apologies for any inconvenience we may have caused.

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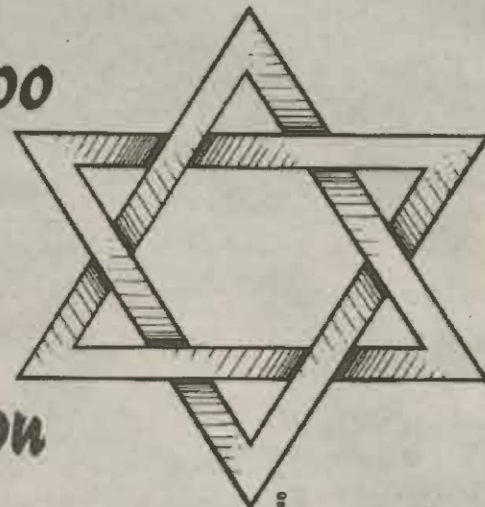
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# Naomi Wolf - Fire with Fire

## Feminism - choose your brand

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If Naomi Wolf was seen as controversial before....well, in the words of that natural born killer Woody Harrelson.. "You ain't seen nothin' yet".

Wolf's first book, **The Beauty Myth**, propelled her to the forefront of the feminist movement, where she stood alone, drawing reproach not only from the movement's critics, but from feminists as well.

Depending on which side of the fence you sat on, Wolf was either too radical or not radical enough. Besides, women said, she's too pretty to be a feminist.

Still stuck in this "too rad/not rad" gulley, Wolf has released another book, this time regarding the broader topic of "The new female power and how it will change the 21st Century".

This new book, **Fire with Fire**, is a grueling 321 pager that sometimes reads like a textbook, sometimes like a stats report and more often than not, as if Wolf is sitting there talking right to you.

Her command of the English language is incredible, she can argue her way around corners until it seems that everything she says is true. The only drawback to her cerebral approach is that her compound sentences can reach massive proportions with all the 25 cent words she spews out.

And Wolf even invents a few words of her own.... Sick of hearing about the "backlash"? Well, brace yourself for the "genderquake".

Reaching it's pinnacle with the 1992 US Elections, the genderquake is the explosion of the women's movement that followed over a decade of being held back. At least, that is how I understand it.

Wolf also provides reasons for the recent ineffectiveness of the feminist movement to garner new support, as well as criticizing its motives and methods.

There are two basic types of feminism, victim feminism and power feminism, and pointing out their broad differences take up about one half of the entire book.

Victim feminism is the one that has been most commonly used by the more radical of the women's...oh, excuse me...womyn's movement.

Victim feminism seeks to create "sisterhood" (discourages individuality), and to prove that women/womyn are not equal to, but greater than those icky awful men who are all rapists. It actually has achieved an end of discouraging women to try to achieve individual power or money, since those activities are disdained as "what men do" (women, on the other hand,

would never want to make money in a cutthroat business deal....heavens, what would that do to your earth mother nurturing side?).

On the other hand, power feminism seeks to encourage women to realize political and economic goals on their own, instead of feeling that they have to subscribe to a "movement", "a collective" or "the sisterhood".

This brand of feminism also recognizes that women are very sexual beings, that one can hate sexism without hating men, that all men are not rapists and that even women can enjoy (gasp) pornography.

**Fire with Fire** helped me plow through many of my own questions regarding feminism, especially when I recognized rhetoric I had spewed in the name of women showing up under the guise of victim feminism.

Using popular culture, childrens books, historical figures and her own experiences towing the line with feminism, Wolf manages to create a comprehensive view of a movement that even its members don't, or can't, fully understand or agree upon.

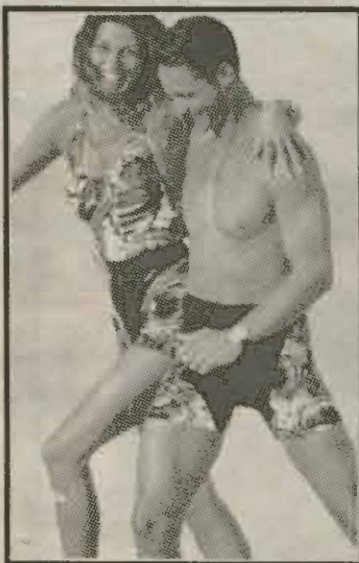
No one single movement, no matter how large, can adequately express the opinions of every single woman. Women are individuals, not part of a larger soup that can all be mixed together.

As human beings, we all have our own priorities, values and beliefs. And recognizing this, is it really fair to cubbyhole all women under the umbrella of a movement like feminism?

Naomi Wolf says no. Like an Obi Wan Kanobi of feminism, Wolf is challenging us to use the forces that lie inside, and define for ourselves, male and female, what feminism means to and for us.

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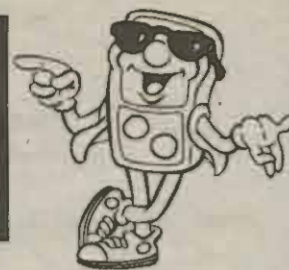
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**Great White**  
**Sail Away/Anaheim Live**  
**BMG**

**Great White** is another classic rock band that should go the way of the dinosaurs. These aging hair farmers should have probably hung it up a long time ago. Their latest release includes new material on side A under the name "Sail Away", and a live recording from a concert in Anaheim on side B including some older material. "Sail Away" is absolute crap - insipid, drippy, acoustic guitar ballads one after another. The Anaheim Live concert recording is great however, if you are a **Great White** fan from the past. It includes good, high-energy renditions of such classics as "Rock Me" and "Once Bitten Twice Shy", and the recording quality is excellent.



**cause&effect**  
**Trip**  
**BMG**

**cause&effect** are a very cool sounding band who will no doubt soon become very popular. With an electronic pop sound a la Depeche Mode, "Trip" is a very catchy album. It becomes a little repetitive at points, but on the whole the album is great, standouts including the first single "It's Over Now" and closer "Crash". Already receiving some play on CFNY, this album is something that is worth picking up.



**Club Euro**  
**Volume One**  
**BMG**

Well, I don't quite know what to say about this techno compilation album, as I am not one who is familiar with the nuances of modern dance music (I don't think there are any nuances, personally). In my opinion, if you have ever been to the Turret on a Thursday night, you will already know what this album sounds like. If techno is your cup of tea though, "Club Euro Volume One" includes new tracks from **Black Box**, **Patric**, **Minnesota**, **The Grid**, **AB Logic**, and **Kym Mazelle & Jocelyn Brown**, among others. Boogie on!



**The Smithereens**  
**A date with...**  
**RCA-Victor**

After a long hiatus, **The Smithereens** have returned with a great album, "A date with..." The edgy pop-rock quartet that brought us such songs as "The Blues Before and After" returns with a powerhouse album which retains the intensity and sound of their previous releases, but adds some refinement. The production is quite raw and live sounding, which allows **The Smithereens** to convey some of their massive live energy to tape. The first single from the album, "Miles from Nowhere" kicks ass, and the rest of the album rocks as well. Definitely something to check out.

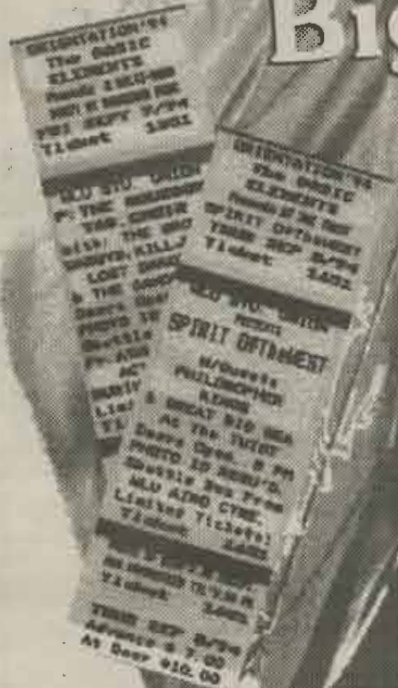


**Paula Cole**  
**Harbinger**  
**Imago**

"Paula is an original voice, both in what she is saying and how she is saying it," says Peter Gabriel about Cole, who replaced the likes of **Kate Bush** and **Sinead O'Connor** as his duet partner for his "Us" tour.

He is definitely right about that. **Paula Cole** possesses a haunting, smoky voice that gets inside your head, and once there confronts you and seduces you with intelligent and thoughtful lyrics. Replete with talent and musicality, **Paula Cole**'s "Harbinger" is definitely an original and something that should be heard.

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Festival in Kohn, the Lowlands Festival in Holland, Belgium's Pukkelpop Festival, and the prestigious Reading Festival in the UK.

Jeff Martin, singer/guitarist for the band, says about their music: "I really believe in Mother Earth as the only deity we can touch, feel, see, breath,

and that really manifests itself in our lyrics. It's more the spiritual side of it, getting in touch with yourself, that's moving a lot of the music. It's just how the muse moves me."

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STUDENTS' UNION

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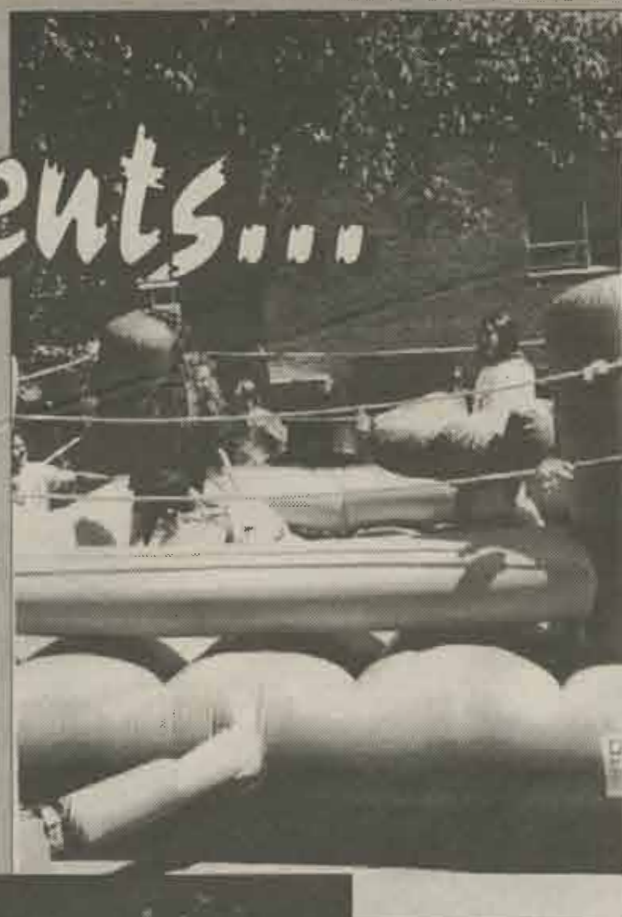
# Battling the elements...



*Okay, the theme was a little, well...stupid. But everyone looked like they were having fun, and hey, that's all that matters.*

*Here's to a great year!*

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## Where's Frank?



**Have you seen Frank ?**

**If so, hurry up to The Cord and volunteer your services.  
It's what Frank would do!**

**Those of you who haven't seen Frank can come up too.  
We can always use a hand with the new expanded Cord.  
Writers, photographers, even lowly production assistants.  
The more Cord staff, the merrier the editor will be!**



# *The Red Pepper*

## BAR & GRILLE

384 King St. N. Waterloo 884-6064

### WELCOME BACK HAWKS!

- BIG 10' SCREEN
- POOL TABLE
- DART BOARD
- 14 DIFFERENT BEERS ON TAP

#### Happy Hour!

Weekdays 3 pm - 6 pm

Weekends 11 am - 4 pm

#### Menu includes:

*Quesadillas, Garlic Bread,  
Bruschetta, Calamari,  
Nachos, Mozzarella Sticks  
and Much More!*

# *The Red Pepper*

## BAR & GRILLE

BUY ONE ENTREE  
& GET THE SECOND ONE  
FREE.

EXP.: Thurs. Sept. 15  
NOT VALID ON IN HOUSE SPECIALS.

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MEL BROWN  
BLUES SESSION

JAM WITH  
PADDY FLYNN +  
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end, if there aren't any dogs left in the pack.

